

Burke Centre Pickleball Association (BCPA)

Board of Directors (BoD) Meeting

A Board meeting was held January 15, 2019 at Mary Abney's home, starting at 630P. Attendees: Gary Hill, Mary, Fred Rothe, Jon Weber, and your secretary. President Gary prepared the agenda.

Minutes from the meeting held December 13, 2018 were reviewed and approved. The approved minutes are on the website under "Meetings."

Bank Account: The status was reviewed in light of a typo on our application for a Federal EIN number required by the bank. After some discussion we decided to submit Federal IRS 990-EZ to correct the typo. [Note: On January 18, President Gary sent the form and a letter to the IRS. Treasurer Mary took copies of this correspondence to Apple Credit Union and they agreed to open the bank account.]

Dues: Now that our bank account is operational, President Gary will send a payment notice to our current list of active participants. The Board approved four payment options: PayPal, credit card, check or cash. The Board decided that regular attendees are expected to become a BCPA member after participating in no more than 5 activities.

New Players: The "Enrollment" section of the website has been designed to encourage people to engage with BCPA in a comfortable manner. It captures necessary information on each person who registers so that we can make them feel welcomed. The Treasurer and Registrar are working on processes for tracking payments and an effective means to distinguish paid members vs regular attendees not yet paid, frequent guests, "explorers," etc.

Website: Webmaster Jon has done an outstanding job creating ours at <http://www.burkepickleball.net> Subsequent to the meeting the site has evolved to include sections for Player Enrollment, Meetings information, a Forum and a link to the SignUp Genius for scheduled activities. Other possible sections are under consideration.

Member/Player Communications: This issue will become very important after our Charter is approved. One of our first priorities will be to recruit additional members from within Burke Centre. The SignUp Genius is recognized as a highly effective means for alerting members to scheduled activities and events. The Board approved a trial of Meetup.com for setting up informal activities. Protection of member email accounts is a priority.

BCPA Email: We now have an email presence: burkepickleball@gmail.com.

Round Table: Nothing was raised. Important upcoming activities: BCC BoT Working Session: Tuesday Feb 5. BOT Monthly meeting: Tuesday, Feb 19.

The meeting adjourned at 830P. The next meeting will be called after our Charter is approved.

Respectfully submitted: Wayne Chiles, Secretary