

Burke Centre Pickleball Association (BCPA)

Board of Directors (BoD) Meeting

The Board met on Thursday, March 25, 2021 via Google Meet, starting at 605P. Attendees: Gary Hill, Mary Abney, and your secretary. Fred Rothe and Jon Weber joined the meeting in progress. President Gary presided.

Financial: Treasurer Mary reported that our account balance is now \$2,626.21. Gary noted the need for additional portable nets at both Woods and Landings courts. The Board approved the purchase of 2 additional nets. [Actually, one net will be free due to our credits accrued with Pickleball Central from member purchases using our account.] The Board also approved purchase of additional balls and storage bags to replace the current buckets. [Our storage chests are getting crowded and rigid buckets limit the storage options.] The Board also approved the purchase of two push brooms for cleaning debris, one at each location. Jon Weber agreed to purchase the brooms and will be reimbursed.

Conservancy: Gary reported that he has asked the Conservancy to paint pickleball lines on all four courts at the Landings and Woods. We do not know if this request will be accepted. Conservancy members need to continue to encourage our Trustees to support policies that clearly reflect commitment to pickleball such as some courts with permanent nets.

Membership: The Board continues to focus on our mission to promote the development and enjoyment of pickleball in Burke Centre. Membership in BCPA has grown steadily. We currently have more members who live within the community than outside. The Board discussed offering BCPA membership to several non-BCC individuals who play regularly and have supported the organization through ticket purchases. [Note: The BCPA charter approved by the Burke Centre Conservancy requires that 50% of members must be Burke Centre residents.]

The Board also had a discussion concerning some regular members that are not respectful to new players as the Association requires. President Gary will approach certain members to clarify our Association's expectations.

Easy-does-it court: The process of introducing new players to pickleball continues as an important focus of the Board. This court idea has not been as effective as planned. The Board will continue to consider options to assist new players as their level of skill and comfort builds. Instructional opportunities provided by our Pro, Andy Forsythe, will also help with this evolution.

The meeting adjourned at 715 PM. The next meeting will be convened as needed.

Respectfully submitted: Wayne Chiles, Secretary