

Burke Centre Pickleball Association (BCPA)

Board of Directors (BoD) Meeting Minutes for June 14, 2023

General Discussion and Introduction: President Jon Weber

Present Via Google Meeting: Jon Weber-president, Mary Abney-Treasurer, Genevieve Methvin-Membership, John Simpson-At Large-Courts, Fred Rothe, At Large-Strategy, and Ed Verchot, Secretary.

Attachments to support discussion were sent from BurkePickleball@gmail.com 3:07pm, 13 June. All Members acknowledged receipt.

Actions Review and Status:

- *ACTION April 23-1: Jon Weber will look at the Budget Spreadsheet and Roster to resolve the issues.*
 - *Status: Closed...Treasurers report approved as is with manual correction.*
- *ACTION April 23-2: Jon will put together a survey to assess the most popular options for possible implementation.*
 - *Status- Jon conducted a survey and published results to the Board. Closed.*
- *ACTION April 23-3: Jon Weber will develop a response to BOT on formal recommendations.*
 - *Status- Jon Weber and BOD finalized response and sent it to BOT. Closed.*
- *ACTION April 23-4: Jon will update the Signup Genius and put out an announcement on the new date.*
 - *Status- Signup Genius updated, Clinic held, and additional clinic scheduled for Jun 24. Closed*
- *ACTION April 23-5: We need to solicit volunteers to assist with the summer league.*
 - *Status- A.J Donelson and Christine Carlock were recruited to assist Andy and Summer league is under way. Closed.*
- *ACTION April 23-6: Board approved Changing Equipment Box combinations via email.*
 - *Status: Equipment Box combinations were changed by Jon. Distribution is now limited to Burke Keyholders and Board Members ONLY. No further distribution is allowed. Only Jon gives out combinations to members who want it. Expect periodic Combo changes (6 months?). Closed.*

All Present concurred with the above action status.

New Business:

1. Treasurers Report: Mary

1. Financial Report circulated by email. Treasurers report was approved as submitted. Treasury has sufficient funds to cover upcoming activities such as Burke Festival and Summer League tournament as well as anticipated ball purchases and equipment maintenance.
2. It was proposed that we set up a BCPA tee shirt to give to festival volunteers and sell to other members. This was approved and Mary, John, and Genevieve will work with Con Milas to finalize.

2. Membership Update: Mary/Genevieve

- Latest Membership figures circulated by email.

BCPA Membership Data							
	6/6/2023	5/30/2023	4/30/2023	3/29/2023	2/28/2023	1/31/2023	
Tot BC Res Paid	67	64	56	48	45	34	
Tot Non-BC Paid	33	33	33	33	*33	16	
Tot Members PD	100	97	89	81	78	50	
Seasonal Buyers	43	42	32	24	14	19	
Total Players	143	139	121	105	92	69	

*BCPA Board offered perm membership to limited number of seasonal players who played regularly during drop-in

- Issue for Discussion: Do we have a membership ceiling? What is it? When should it be imposed? The issue was noted but Board current levels are not a problem yet.
- The issue of adding an additional play session was raised by Mary and supported by Genevieve. Survey seems to say almost any night has some support. HOWEVER, we do not have BC BOT approval for additional reservations. The Board concurred it was premature to go to them asking for expansion. Mary, Jon, and Genevieve, as Burke Centre Residents, proposed making reservations through Tennis Call from 5-8pm for two tennis courts (4 Pickleball Courts). They each proposed to sponsor these sessions possibly with additional BC residents' support. Sessions will be publicized through Playtime Scheduler and run from July 13 through Aug 31. Decision on how to proceed after that will be discussed at a future meeting. It was also proposed and approved that one court would be set aside for beginners if there was sufficient interest. The remainder would be for general play. Secretary's note (As of July 2 sessions have been held each week with varying attendance).
- Genevieve mentioned that is continued interest in beginner clinics. Our last scheduled clinic will be held June 14. (Note it was held and fully attended). No further clinics are scheduled. (Note: As of mid-July, Tennis DNA (John Vaught) has been selected as Burke Centers official training provider and will be working with

BCPA to schedule clinics that we will publicize on our website and official communications and at the Burke Festival. Specifics are in discussion)

3. BOT Courts Conversion Update/Status - Jon

- Current proposal exceeds available Budget. BC Staff are working with BOT to develop a rescope or staged strategy that will work within allocated budgets. Discussions and study are continued at July sessions. More to come.

4. Courts/Equipment Update: John S

- Equipment status - There are currently 9 nets/frames at the Landings. There are only 6 nets/frames at the Woods. Although I intentionally moved one net/frame from the Woods to the Landings in May, to increase the number of "new" nets at the Landings, The TOTAL number of nets/frames is only 15. In mid-March, when I first began to keep inventory, I am certain that we had 16 nets/frames, 8 at each location. In mid-May, when I started to install the New nets, we only had 15 sets, total. In other words, one net appears to be missing.
- Combo change follow-up (Action April 23-6) ... As noted, combo change was done and there have been few reported problems.
- We need to remind members to PLEASE remember to LOCK THE BOX when they have replaced all of our equipment and they are leaving the court.

5. Strategy Update - Fred

- Fred sent a separate report by email on another Reston's paddle stack system. Fred noted that the Reston system is just a paddle stacking variation and that the key is the four slots. He cited Reston Rob as saying it really depends on the space you have for the stacking method. Fred recommended a rack hanging from a fence as probably the best approach when space is limited. If adopted, the question is how many 4-slot stacks do we want—one stack per court?? The Board was not in agreement that a new paddle stack system is needed. The new complex will have 8 courts like now so the current system could work as long as we have space (benches like now?) to use it.

6. Secretary Update - Ed

- Playtime Scheduler Update: 95 on invite list. Using to get out short notes to membership. Very few sign up...8-10 or less per session. Is it still effective? How can we get people to sign up without mandating sign up. (Note: We are currently at 106 but 14 have opted out of notifications, and very few people are using it to sign up. I do have verbal feedback that notes are being read by many but probably not a universal communication tool.

- We did not set a target for the next newsletter or the topics to put in it other than Festival and Summer League.

7. Burke Festival and other Actions since the meeting.

- Burke Festival is coming quickly. Dates are 9-10 Sep.

A. Note: As of 22 July, Jon, Mary, and John have accomplished the following:

- a. Developed with Con Milas a BCPA logo and tee shirt.



- b. Contracted with Suit-Up to provide an online shop to produce the t-shirts for Festival Volunteers and later to sell the same through a one-time online shop to other interested members.
- c. Released signup geniuses to recruit members for both Festival Booths. We need 21 two-hour shifts for the BC and about half that for the BCPA booth.
- d. Jon has updated the website with the new logos and information on the Festival.
- e. Since the meeting many Board members have been on travel and vacation, but actions have been continuing by email.

B. Next meeting probably won't occur until August and it was agreed that we would try to meet in person...venue TBD.