



MINUTES

North Shore Pickleball Club Directors Meeting

November 7, 2018

Present: Linda Sullivan, Dale Harvey, Larry Harper, Pat Crawford, Ed Orlovsky, Anne Watson

Regrets: Allan Gauthier

Call to Order: 7:00 pm

1. Motion: To approve the minutes of September 19, 2018. Moved Ed/ seconded Larry, all in favour.

2. Financial Position:

a. Dale reported the current bank balance as \$8171. Approximately \$300 is outstanding in expenses at this point.

b. Registration records are reconciled with the exception of one person who has not paid and who will be removed from the membership list. In future, we will encourage all members to pay by credit card on the website to reduce the follow-up time required. Only in exceptional cases will we accept cash, for example when a member doesn't have internet access.

Motion: to adopt the bank account and encourage on-line registration. Moved Pat/ seconded Anne, all in favour.

3. Membership: As of November 3, we have 303 members.

It was recommended by Allan that we encourage members to join early in 2019 by offering membership from January 2019 to April 30, 2020 for \$20.

Moved Dale/ seconded Pat. All in favour.

Action: Allan to speak to Randy to ensure that the required changes are made to the web system.

A discussion followed on how to explain to members the value of their NSPC



membership. The Club offers advocacy with local governments on behalf of all pickleball players. This has resulted in the West Van 29th Street courts, indoor play across the North Shore, hosted play at outdoor venues, and hopefully permanent nets at Murdo Frazer next year. We also organize social events, and sponsor tournaments.

We were less able to articulate the benefit from each member's fee to Pickleball Canada of \$5 and to Pickleball BC of \$2.50.

Action: Linda to request statements from each of these organizations of the value they provide to our members. These will be posted to our website.

4. End of Season Outdoor Host Reports:

Murdo Frazer had a total attendance of 4763 players over 129 days of play this year. The average was 36.9 players per day.

Little Cates had a total attendance of 1012 over 116 playing days for an average of 8.7 players per day.

West Vancouver 29th Street was opened for play with permanent nets on October 3. Every dry day since then, there have been 20 or more players on the three permanent courts. This is a huge nod to the work done by Ed & Lilly Orlovsky, Allan Gauthier and others to make this space a reality. It was noted that the District of West Vancouver was also helping to maintain these courts by removing leaves for players. Kudos to the District.

5. Joint NSPB and Tennis Letter:

A resident close to Little Cates expressed concern that tennis courts are being used for pickleball. A letter was sent jointly by NSPB and the Tennis Society to help explain court usage.

6. Indoor Courts:

Indoor courts are getting busier now that the outdoor season is over. West Van Community Centre has been full and turning players away both on Mondays and Saturdays. The other venues have more drop-in space available



at this point.

7. Communications:

The North Shore News featured pickleball in the October 12 issue. We will contact them again in the Spring when the 29th Street courts have their official opening.

Action: Larry and Linda

8. Pickleball designated facility/courts

Drawings for Murdo Frazer have been approved by the Tennis Society and submitted to the District of NV.

There is a good possibility that pickleball courts will be constructed on the old horseshoe pit location in Mahon Park. Linda will continue to liaise with the City of NV.

Action: Linda

9. Social Committee:

Successful pub nights were held in October and November. No club funds were needed for seed money as originally anticipated and approved. The executive agreed that there was no reason not to have one in December if the committee is willing and can find a venue.

Action: Anne will meet with Shashi and the committee to discuss this.

The committee would like to be able to send communications such as surveys and invitations directly to members.

Motion: Administration capabilities will be given to all executive members. Moved Linda/ seconded Pat, all in favour.

Action: Linda to set this up.

10. Tournaments:

a. Picklemania IV – Parkgate is booked for March 30. The group recommended Shashi to chair a five-member organizing committee. Linda has



offered to do the scheduling which will take that technical aspect off the committee. Once the committee has decided its format and needs, volunteers will be called for.

b. WOT – This was fully registered within hours of posting, and was again very successful. We suggest that future WOT's consider two levels with 3.25 players and higher in one level, and below 3.25 in another.

11. Other Business:

The wording in our Club constitution and our by-laws vary slightly on the distribution of funds upon dissolution of the club. The discrepancy is due to automated wording when the Society registered.

Motion: Leave the constitution and by-laws unchanged. Moved Ed/ seconded Dale, all in favour.

Meeting adjourned 9:00pm. (Moved Ed, seconded Pat, all in favour.)

Next meeting: January 9, 7:00 at Linda's, 1262 West 23rd Street.