

Capital Area Pickleball Association  
Executive Board Minutes  
Wednesday December 12, 2018  
12:30 Coliseum Bar

Present were Rico Goedjen, Joe Carter, Warren Luehring, Angie Stone, Mike Barone, Karen Jerg and Joanne Crapisi

**Treasurer's report: Warren**

Balance in checking account on 11/30/18 was \$5,568.60  
Revenue of \$118.60  
Expense of \$222.15

Warren reported back to the board on interest bearing accounts offered by US Bank. The options available would gain approximately \$3.00 a year. Capital One money market would earn 2% for 12 months on each \$1,000.00 invested and then the interest rate would drop to .4% after that. A discussion voiced a concern that earning interest could potentially affect our tax liability. Board decided to leave the money in the checking account at this time.

Joe Carter made a policy motion: When the CAPA checking account balance reaches \$10,000.00 CAPA file for 501(c) 7 status. Warren seconded motion. Discussion: advantage to having 501(c) 7 status is that CAPA can earn interest and purchase insurance. All were for policy.

Discussion about how to use CAPA money to best benefit members. The board is projecting the possibility of sponsoring a tournament in a couple of years which could be costly. An idea of purchasing useful improvements for area courts. Items such as benches and paddle saddles. A dollar limit would be set. The board would develop a process for a community to be notified of items available, and how to apply for items. This will be discussed again when the cost of items is known.

**Membership and Administration report: Joe**

CAPA has 350 members. 35% have joined since 1/1/18.

**Newsletter Update: publication 1/15**

Content will be, vignettes which will highlight members who have significant accomplishments in other sports, report on Nationals, Player Profiles, Rules, and recap of winter social.

**Report on Facebook status:**

CAPA Facebook page administrator has not responded to emails. Will keep trying to communicate with administrator.

**Tabled discussion on comprehensive court schedule at this time.** Board will look at how to promote pickleball and help the pickleball community get good play. Possible suggestions are: League play, Community league and Mini tournaments

**Update on new membership brochure: Warren**

Plans to meet with John McGee in the next couple of weeks. Will email a draft to board for feedback.

**Winter social update:**

Social will be held at Fitchburg Community Center on December 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:00pm – 9:00pm. There are about 30 people signed up. Joe Carter will send out a reminder email.

**Golden Age Games discussion: Joe**

Joe was contacted by Madison Area Sports Commission regarding the Veterans Golden Age Games that will be held in 2020. Pickleball is one of the events that potentially will be held at Cherokee. MASC is looking for 2-3 CAPA members to volunteer to assist in the planning of the pickleball tournament. Mike, Karen and Joe volunteered at this time.

**New business:**

Fiona received a suggestion from a CAPA member for CAPA to sponsor skills and drills for members. Discussion was indoor court time is very tight. Possibly better to wait to have during the outdoor season. Offer in several locations, east, west, north and south. Offer in evening so working players could participate. Instructors could be volunteers from CAPA.

Joe proposed an amendment to the event promotions policy which presently reads: Exception being if a special rate of a minimum 10% off regular fees given to CAPA membership we will promote through email and post on website.

Re-proposed policy: Exception being if a special rate of a minimum 10% off regular fees given to CAPA membership we will promote through **one all-member** email and **a static post** on **the CAPA** website **with links to the entity's website**. All were in favor of the re-proposed policy wording.

**Next meeting date: 2/13**

Submitted by Joanne Crapisi, Secretary