

CAPITAL AREA PICKLEBALL ASSOCIATION

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 29, 2018

JAYCEE PARK SHELTER IN OREGON WI

Meeting was called to order by President Rico Goedjen at 6:30pm. There were approximately 44 CAPA members in attendance.

Board members present: Joe Carter, Mike Barone, Karen Jerg, Warren Luehring

Board members absent: Joe Sokal and Pat Fleming

Rico introduced present board members:

Joe Carter - VP

Warren Luehring – Treasurer

Mike Barone – At large board member

Karen Jerg – At large board member

Dina Weinbach - Newsletter editor

Joanne Crapisi – Program Coordinator

APPROVAL OF JULY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Rico asked for approval of the July Board Meeting Minutes. Warren Luehring moved to accept the minutes and David Mott seconded the motion. All were in favor. No one was opposed.

BYLAW VOTE

Joe Carter found a mechanism in which members could vote on line. The present Bylaw only allowed members who were present at the annual meeting to vote. The purpose of the change is to amend the current general membership voting process to enable all members' opportunities to vote during the annual election of board members. [Click here to see old and new verbiage](#)

Rico moved that the Bylaw be amended, David Mott second. All present were in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Warren gave the treasurer's report. Balance forward from last year was \$2,659.65. There was an income of \$4,036.34 with expenses of \$2,725.55. Leaving a balance in the bank of \$3,970.44.

Question was asked by Gordon about the 5% off from orders placed on Pickleball Central. Pickleball Central gives 5% discount to CAPA members and 5% back to CAPA organization. CAPA has received

about \$40.00 which was used for balls that were provided to Sun Prairie Skills and Drills and Leagues at Garner Park. Pickleball Central is the only pickleball supply company to give the 5% discount.

It was noted that leagues are self-sustaining. The fee charged participants covers court reservation cost. Leagues are not funded by the general membership.

REPORT BY VICE PRESIDENT JOE CARTER

MEMBERSHIP

Membership one year ago was about 200. Present membership is at 371 members. Members that join on or after July 1 are good for the year. There were 149 new members from last year.

Why join CAPA? CAPA works with communities that are looking into building new pickleball courts. Communities look at membership numbers to justify new courts.

INTERNET

Joe spends time on a daily basis in order to maintain and keep the CAPA website updated. The website was just recently expanded. Joe noted that from October until the present the website has had 9,000 visitors!

Keeping track of places in the area to play pickleball has been interesting for Joe. There are 59 outdoor courts with another 16 courts being built. With 48 indoor courts for a total of 123 courts!

Comment was made that CAPA members are not hearing about upcoming tournaments. Joe is publishing all known upcoming tournaments on the website under upcoming events.

Question was asked if an email could be sent informing members of the upcoming tournaments? The board has had many discussions on this. We do not want to abuse our member's information that is given to us at registration. CAPA board has decided it did not want to help companies make money off the membership list. And that we would not use our funds to promote commercial enterprises.

The board is concerned that when too many emails are sent out there is a chance for recipients to delete them without reading them.

CAPA does have a Facebook page that is maintained by KaSandra.

Bag tags were issued to all present. And will be issued to all CAPA members.

CAPA t-shirt order was placed September 4th

BOARD MEMBER REPORT

Mike Barone (at large board member) spoke about the courts in Oregon. There are 6 dual striped light courts in Oregon. Pickleball has been played for 4 years in this community. Open play is Tuesday and Thursday evenings 6pm-? . Women play Monday, Tuesday and Thursday morning starting at 8:00am. Balls, paddles and nets are available at the pool. There has been a tremendous growth of pickleball players in Oregon. The Village is very supportive of pickleball. There is an approved plan to renovate the Jaycee Park. There will be 12 light pickleball courts. The cost for the 12 courts is about \$350,000.00

to have everything that is wanted. Doreen commented on how happy she was for the Sunday morning play at the high school.

Karen Jerg (at large board member) spoke about Sun Prairie Wyndham Hills outdoor courts. New courts will open on September 12th. A very generous anonymous donor gave \$85,000 and the remaining \$4,500 was contributed by other donors. There are 6 dedicated pickleball courts with windscreens. There is room for 2 more courts. Court schedule has been Monday there were skills and drills along with min-tournaments. Wednesday and Thursday are leagues. Volunteers help make these possible. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday is play for intermediate group. Wednesday, Friday and Sunday are for advanced players.

PROGRAM COORDINATOR REPORT

Joanne Crapisi spoke about what types of programs there have been over the last year. Socials at Hitters, "Dessert" socials at Garner Park, Mini-Tournaments at Taylor Park in Middleton and there will be youth lessons at Taylor Park on Thursday evenings in September.

Rico stated that we are looking for someone to assume this position since Joanne will be appointed secretary. The program coordinator assists with planning an event. Helping to get the work out and assisting with the sign-up.

NEW COURT COMMITTEE REPORT

Jo Kiesow Co-Chairman of the new court committee stated that the ribbon cutting at the Taylor Park courts was a success. The committee is there to support the community as needed when the new courts are ready to open.

Stoughton is in the process of building 6 new courts. Completion date is not known at this time.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Rico stated the next big thing for the area should be a dedicated indoor facility. There is steady play in this area. Predictions are for there to be 10 million players by 2020! Very exciting! Great to have so many people.

Rico formally appointed Joanne Crapisi secretary to replace Pat Fleming who resigned from the position.

Rico formally appointed Mike Barone, Jan Carter and Terry Kramer to the Election Committee

NEW BUSINESS

None

Ballots were distributed and voting took place.

Meeting was adjourned.