

Pickleball University Board Meeting Minutes

December 18, 2021 @ 2:30 p.m.

Location: 1055 25th Ave. Vero Beach, FL 32960

And via FACETIME

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2:41 p.m.
2. Proof of notice
On club website
3. Approval of previous minutes
Steve Bull motioned to approve November minutes. Jackie seconded.
Motion passed unanimously
4. Determination of a Quorum
In attendance: Joe Scanlan, president, Claire Miller, secretary, Steve Bull, director, Francine Woodman, Director, Jackie Schmid, Director, Jamie Demetrion, Director, Lynn Ullestad
Via Facetime: Chuck O'Hanlon, VP, Dick Haverland, treasurer
5. Old Business
 - a. Shade awning decision and budget
 - Steve Bull shared the various options available and costs.
Joe Scanlan made a motion to approve a budget up to \$12,000 for a permanent structure in liaison with the COVB and a budget of up to \$4,000 for a sun-sail type structure. Jamie Demetrion seconded motion. Vote passed unanimously.
 - b. Club expansion updates from 11/30 meeting with Planning and Rec department.
 - Steve Bull shared information from a recent meeting he attended regarding court expansion. After consulting with the planning committee, the board agrees that expansion at the Pocahontas site is not feasible due to several factors. City land across from the cemetery continues to be a possible option.
Steve Bull made a motion to go forward with the process for obtaining a part of this property for PBU use, by submitting a

proposal to the city. Joe Scanlan seconded motion. Vote passed unanimously.

c. Lights update

- Steve shared information regarding the new lights contract. A quote from Stewart Tennis and Tech Light has been obtained. Board discussed possible work including re-trenching of conduit that may need to occur before project can commence. The contractor will not be able to begin the project until February 1st, 2022. The north courts would not be available for use for a period of time while the work was underway. Board discussed how this would impact play during season.

Fran Woodman made a motion that any lights project should commence after May 1st at the end of the season. Claire Miller seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

6. New Business

A. Financial review

- PBU treasurer emailed the financials to board members ahead of meeting. They continue to be posted on club website for public viewing. A direct link to the financials on our website will be sent to all members this week.

B. Board of directors' and positions needed for 2022

- In January 2022, Joe Scanlan and Jamie Demetrion will be stepping down off the board of directors. The board had a general discussion about its needs moving forward.

Steve Bull made a motion to limit the number of board members to a total of 7 for 2022. Jackie Schmid seconded motion. Vote passed unanimously.

Steve Bull made a motion that full time local residents will get first consideration for future board positions. Claire Miller seconded motion. Vote passed unanimously.

- The board elected new officers for 2022.

Jamie Demetrion nominated Claire Miller as president. Joe seconded motion. Vote passed unanimously.

Joe Scanlan nominated Dick Haverland as treasurer. Steve Bull seconded motion. Vote passed unanimously.

Steve Bull nominated Lynn Ullestad as secretary. Joe Scanlan seconded. Vote passed unanimously.

Jamie motioned Chuck O'Hanlon as vice president. Steve Bull seconded motion. Vote passed unanimously.

Claire nominated Steve Bull as second vice president. Jamie seconded motion. Vote passed unanimously.

C. Potential board member applications submitted this month

At this time all board positions are filled, and new applications are on hold until an officer position opens up. Steve Bull will discuss with each applicant, other opportunities that may be available to assist the board.

D. Board member resume from last month

See above

E. Drop in procedures for pros and coaches

- The board considered a request made by a PBU coach to allow outside coaches or pros to play at PBU before 10:30 a.m. in season and to waive the drop-in fee. The board discussed and denied the request. Joe Scanlan will let the coach in question know of the board's decision.

F. Gatekeeper autonomy with drop in rule

- The seasonal rule implemented December 1st through March 30th that states drop ins cannot play before 10:30 a.m. will remain firm regardless of how crowded the courts.

G. Clarify singles play

- This item was previously determined, and signs posted at gate. No singles play from 9:00 to 11:00 during season.

H. Discussion on club banners (individual, lifetime and annual)

- The board discussed the need to replace lifetime banners periodically as they become worn. Chuck O'Hanlon has contacted all sponsors and informed them how they can be replaced. Annual corporate sponsorship will continue to be made available at a rate of \$1000.
- Prem Carnot will be informed by Chuck O'Hanlon of the corporate rate moving forward.
- Several members have requested a banner be erected for a specific pro player at PBU. The board approved that a banner may be purchased for the same price as a corporate sponsorship. Steve Bull will share the information including stipulations with the interested parties.

I. Spring Tournament budget and updates

- PBU tournament is still planned to run March 25-27, 2022.

J. Volunteer gatekeeper hours

- Gatekeeper current hours run from 8:30 a.m. to approximately 10:30 a.m. Since drop ins now began after 10:30, the board discussed staggering the gatekeeper hours, so coverage is available through noon. Jackie Schmid will talk to the head gatekeeper to coordinate.

K. Revisit club name vote

- Jamie Demetrian proposed that we revisit the vote made on April 17, 2021, to change the PBU club name. At that time, the motion to change the name passed 5-3.

Steve Bull made a motion to keep the club name as is. Jamie seconded motion. Vote passed 8-1

L. Opportunity for additional courts

- Francine Woodman shared information related to a new development pending at the old power plant site and the potential for adding pickleball courts to the waterside 35-acre property. Board may discuss further as more information becomes available.

M. Fences repair needs

- The board discussed the need to repair damaged and potentially dangerous fencing at the courts. Jackie Schimd will contact Adam's Fencing to come evaluate and give the club a quote.

N. Guest passes information to members and dates made available

- Guest passes will be made available to all members on January 1st at a cost of 5 for \$30. A second opportunity for purchasing will be made available on Tuesday, January 18th. Further information will be sent out to all members via email this coming week.

O. Gatekeeper incident report from 12/16/21

- The board discussed an incident that occurred at the courts on 12/16/21 involving a player violating the PBU code of conduct.

The board made the decision to impose a 7-day suspension from the club.

P. Procedure and documentation for responding to reported incidents

- The board agreed that only On Duty gatekeepers will monitor wrist band compliance and a process for reporting noncompliance will be followed. If a player refuses to wear their band, the gatekeeper will report to the court attendant or board member and further action will be determined. Other members will not be encouraged to police wrist band compliance.

ITEMS ADDENDUM:

- A request was made to the club to allow the Treasure Coast League to use two courts on Tuesdays from 1 to 3 pm. and to waive the drop-in fee for nonmembers. The board denied the request. Chuck O'Hanlon will inform the person making request.
- Claire Miller shared that there have been two reported incidents of a person trying to steal member's dogs at the courts in the evening. An email will go out to membership this week regarding this.
- Steve Bull acknowledged Joe Scanlan and Jamie Demetrion for all their hard work and contributions to the club during their term and thanked them on behalf of the board.

7. Adjournment 5:49 p.m.