

FRONTENAC PICKLEBALL CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

Date: 25 May 2022 Time: 11:13am Location: Centennial Park, Harrowsmith Chair: Lorie Cooper (President)

In Attendance

Executive: Lorie Cooper – President Bryce Yorke – Treasurer Jim Whitehead – Director-at-Large Andy Bryson – Past President

Minutes recorder – Bev Vanderschoor

Members: Andy Bryson	Karen Cooney	Carolyn Brintnell
Caroline Keys	Jim Whitehead	Ingrid Lacis
Laurie Mosgrove	Jude Frigon	Ron Heidebrecht
Rick Ottenhof	Patti Moyse	Bev Vanderschool
Al Davis	Mary Wamboldt	Janice Miles
Carol Whyman	Linda Meggs	Les Buchan
Rose Miller	Gert Switzer	Janet Drew
John Billing	Lou Cucoch	Nick Vanderschool
Joanne Remmler	Rhonda Emmons	Don Crone

Vivian Yorke Judith White Laurie Veenendahl Larry Struthers

Statement of Quorum

Call to Order

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion by Andy Bryson, 2nd by Laurie Mosgrove to accept minutes of 2021 AGM as written.

Motion passed.

Executive Reports

- 1. President's Report (Lorie)
 - a. Bryce, Andy and Jim were thanked for their many contributions to the Club in their Executive positions over the past year
 - b. Session Coordinators were thanked for their efforts to keep the sessions running smoothly through the indoor and now into the outdoor season, Event Coordinators were applauded for their work to organize the St Patrick's Day fun and for the pizza for the post-AGM gathering, and the Equipment Coordinator was congratulated on keeping all of the equipment and consumables in good shape and good supply. Well done to all!
 - c. Lorie is in the position of President for 1 more year to complete her term. Suggested that it would be good for people to start thinking about who would be a suitable candidate for the next election. There has been no one in the Secretary position since she moved into the President's position, so it would be great to have someone to fill President, Treasurer and Secretary positions. If that were to happen, there would be no need for the Director-at-Large position to be filled. Ideally, the Executive should be an odd number to eliminate the possibility of ties when voting is necessary.
 - d. Averaging over 30 players per outdoor session which is great to see!
- 2. Treasurer's Report (Bryce)
 - a. Financial Statement
 - i. Overview provided. Any Club member who wishes to have a copy of the financial statements is welcome to request it from Bryce
 - ii. Discussion
 - 1. As of this date there are 152 paid memberships which reflects a 50% growth over 2021
 - 2. Clinics were heavily subsidized by the Club
 - 3. Questions:
 - a. Rick Ottenhof Is there a goal to maintain a slush fund?

- Answer: Yes, between \$1700-\$2000 has been determined as sufficient to cover unexpected expenses, so that is our goal.
- 4. Township court rental fees are up 5-10% and were paid in full in May 2022. It should be noted that in 2021 we were not charged court rental fees because of the restrictions on numbers due to COVID
- 5. As a Club we are charged the non-resident fee for Centennial court rental. We require 80% of our members to be residents of South Frontenac to be eligible for the lower, resident rate
- iii. Motion to accept
 - 1. Judith White
 - 2. 2nd Ingrid Lacis
 - 3. All in favour Carried
- 3. Director-at-Large Report
 - a. N/A
- 4. Secretary's Report
 - a. N/A
- 5. New Business
 - a. Bylaws
 - i. Discussion
 - 1. Copy of the Bylaws with the proposed amendments was sent out to all members for review 2 weeks prior to the AGM
 - 2. All changes were highlighted and reviewed during the meeting
 - a. Article V: Restrictions to 2-year terms for Treasurer and Secretary removed
 - b. Article VI:
 - Removed "produce income and expense spreadsheets" and added "prepare financial spreadsheets and reports"
 - ii. Director-at-Large position and job description added
 - c. Article VII (paragraph number corrected from VIII):
 - i. Equipment Manager:
 - Amended to remove "setting up and taking down nets", added "maintaining adequate supply of equipment and consumables, under the guidance of the EC"
 - d. Article XI:

- Membership Meetings: Amended the sentences, "An Annual General Membership meeting will be held every Spring close to the commencement of outdoor play. It is during these meetings that Club Bylaws will be reviewed-approved as necessary, and new EC members will be elected."
- ii. Motion to accept changes to Bylaws as proposed:
 - 1. Judith White
 - 2. 2nd Rhonda Emmons
 - 3. Carried
- b. Question:
 - i. Rick Ottenhof Will the Club sell balls to members?
 - 1. Answer (Lorie): No, this would require storage space which we do not have.
- c. Membership fees (Lorie): Fees for indoor and outdoor sessions will remain the same as long as they continue to cover the expenses. They are currently set at \$5 per session. FPC members are eligible for the \$20 outdoor season fee, which covers all drop-in fees for the entire outdoor season.
- d. Volunteer Coordinators
 - i. Equipment Manager(s)
 - 1. Duties are listed in the Bylaws
 - 2. Nomination/Volunteer Judith White
 - ii. Special Events Coordinator(s)
 - 1. Duties are listed in the Bylaws
 - 2. Nomination/Volunteer Joanne Remmler and Sandra Baxter have agreed to continue for another term
- 6. Election of EC
 - a. Nominations
 - i. Treasurer Janice Miles (by acclamation, to take over 1 January, at the start of the new fiscal year)
 - ii. Secretary Bev Vanderschoor (by acclamation, to start immediately)
 - b. Motion to destroy ballots NA
- 7. Question:
 - a. Rhonda Emmons Since Lorie's term is over in one year, can someone shadow her to ease into the position.
 - i. Answer (Lorie): Yes, certainly!
- 8. Lakes and Trails Festival, Sydenham (Lorie):
 - a. Volunteers needed for the pickleball demonstration at the Sydenham courts on Saturday, July 16th.
 - i. 9-11am
 - 1. Rose Miller

- 2. Janice Miles
- 3. Laurie Mosgrove
- 4. Les Buchan
- 5. Laurie Veenendahl
- ii. 11am-1pm
 - 1. Carol Whyman
 - 2. Joanne Remmler
 - 3. Larry Struthers
 - 4. Lorie Cooper
 - 5. ** Still require 2 more volunteers for this timeslot please**
- 9. Centennial Courts Updates (Lorie): At end of play, please loosen the Velcro straps and be sure to move the portable nets off of the courts to the fence so that they don't interfere with tennis
- 10. Clinics (Lorie): There have been many changes or cancellations by members registered for the clinics. This has created a considerable amount of work. We anticipate offering more clinics next year but, because the clinics are heavily subsidized and the cost to members is minimal, to alleviate much of the work (and expense of e-transfers), there will be <u>no refunds</u> for cancellations by members. For the remainder of this year's clinics, refunds will be given once all of the clinics have been completed.
- 11. Bench App (Lorie):
 - a. All members are encouraged to use the app to indicate if they plan to play during one of the organized Club sessions.
 - b. Setting up drop-in groups: Bench App can also be used to notify members of play times during drop-in hours. Note that drop-in rules apply!
- 12. Ladies Social Play (Bev): Tuesdays at 4pm there is a drop-in free play for ladies social good times
- 13. Rules of Club Play Review (Lorie):
 - a. 4 on, 4 off (unless numbers are low, then at the discretion of the session Coordinator)
 - b. Games to 9, win by 1 (unless numbers are low, then at the discretion of the session Coordinator)
 - c. End of game, call out "Front" or "Back". Front courts enter/exit via front gate, back courts via back gate
 - d. Players on center courts can move (if they wish) to a side court if one opens up while they are playing
 - e. Winners place paddles in the "gold" rack, losers paddles go to the "silver" rack
 - f. Name must be visible on your paddle when it is in the rack
- 14. Question:
 - a. Rose Miller For indoor play, will Wednesday morning play be a possibility?
 - Answer (Lorie): No, the church currently has a regularly scheduled group in the gym on Wednesdays from morning until after lunch. That's the reason our Wed sessions are later in the day

- b. Bev Vanderschoor Suggested moving the seating area to the back of the courts under the trees
 - i. Discussion:
 - 1. Steep hill, could prove a hazard
 - 2. Township will be asked to fill and level off the back area to make for easier access to the courts.
 - 3. Lorie will determine best approach to request. She is addressing the matter of court maintenance and net condition with the Township
- 15. Announcements NIL
- 16. General Discussion NIL
- 17. PIZZA TIME!

Next Meeting

Date | Time, Location TBD

Motion to adjourn was made at 12:57. Adjournment passed unanimously.