

**Yukon Pickleball Monthly Meeting**  
**April 6th, 2023**  
**12:00 -1:30 Sport Yukon**

**Attending:**

Jim Gilpin, Gord Clark, Brenda Dion, Hector Campbell, Erik Hoenisch, Andrew Barker, Walter Brennan.

**Call to Order:**

Jim called meeting to order at 12:04

**Adoption of Agenda:**

Agenda adopted as amended. Jim added Spring Clean up .Moved: Hector, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim.

**Minutes of March 9th, 2023:**

Motion to adopt: Moved by Hector, 2<sup>nd</sup> Brenda.

**New Business:**

**1. Treasurer's Report:**

Presently we have \$7500 in the bank. Will received \$400 from COW for Pickleball Fundamentals Courses in March. Jim will deliver Financial Statements for last fiscal year to Corporate Affairs. Cheques to Walter for Ball machine throwing wheels and Remote (\$183.69) and a cheque to Brenda for \$63 for bins for YPA equipment.

**2. Appointment of Board Executive**

Andrew moved that the four existing Executive that are in place remain. 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim. There was a discussion that we need to have a division of labour that needs to be shared among the Executive and the three other Directors. For example, Hector is VP and has also been tasked with Communications by default because he is our website manager. The division of labour question is tabled to the next meeting. Andrew called the question and Board was unanimous in staying with President -Jim Gilpin, VP - Hector Campbell, Treasurer – Erik Hoenisch and Secretary – Walter Brennan. Jim will complete and forward the paperwork to Corporate Affairs.

### **3. Director Responsibilities/ Board Organization - Brenda**

Now that we have had our AGM and a new Strategic Plan we need to work on the implementation of the Plan. One of the first steps is outline the roles and responsibilities of the Executive and the Directors. The Board will then move on to the development an Operation Plan for the first year with the hope of engaging volunteers from the general membership in the implementation. The emphasis will be placed on what do we want to accomplish in the coming year. The Board will have a special planning meeting on May 18<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 -4:00 to start the process. Walter to book the room at Sport Yukon.

### **4. Yukon Pickleball Day May 7<sup>th</sup> – Brenda:**

Brenda met with the CGC and her committee on April 5th. The information sheets for each of the sessions are finalized. The Poster will be finalized shortly. The idea is that on Tuesday after Easter everything will go live and CGC will have sign-up sheets ready.

The Youth group is being organized by Sue Staffen and she will be contacting theBoys and Girls Club, Sport Yukon to contact coaches of sports groups as well as the Dept of Education. Would like to have 16 youth participate.

Anne-Marie will be sending out invites to various corporations / businesses with invites to participate in the Corporate Challenge. A business can enter up to two teams of two. Besides the direct invites this will be open to any business to participate if they see it advertised on the poster and want to participate. There is contact information to get in touch with Anne-Marie directly. There will be 30 minutes of instruction and then the competition will be a round robin with every team playing 5 games. We hope to get 12 teams participating.

An information note will go out to members about pickleball Day. Members can invite non-members to participate.

### **5. Instructor Training - Mark Renneson Fall 2023**

There is a possibility of running another NCCP Level 1 instructor training program this fall with Mark Renneson. This can be combined with some open pickleball clinics delivered by Mark for the general public. With the growth we are seeing there is a definite need to broaden our Level 1 instructor base. There are potential candidates in Marsh Lake, Dawson, Carmacks, Watson Lake and probably the schools.

YPA will send out information indicating we are hoping to run a NCCP Level 1 Instructor's clinic in the fall. We want to find out what the interest is and go from there. Jim will send a note to YPA members and Brenda will contact the communities. The information will provide a link to the PCO website if individuals want to find out more information about the NCCP Level 1 program.

There are not likely enough people to run a Level 2 at this stage but those who are interested can access the Level 2 in Alberta or BC .

## **6. Spring tournament:**

YPA is in the process of scheduling a fun tournament in June on a Saturday around solstice at the CGC. Tournament will be for YPA members consisting of two pools- Recreation and Competitive. Jim to check on CGC availability. We will have door prizes and possibly do a potluck. YPA will cover the cost and there will be registration but no fee.

Yukon Championships – As part of the process of becoming the Sport Governing Body for Pickleball YPA needs to have an annual Yukon Championships tournament. The Board is working on scheduling this indoors at CGC in August after the Discovery Day weekend. Jim will check of availability of courts.

## **7. Takhini Schedule**

Eight weeks remaining at Takhini school. With the lack of participation in the ladder league the board has rescheduled the time slots as follows starting April 22.

Saturday 2:00 -4:00	Open Round Robin- max of 15
4:00 -6:00	Open for personal group booking with Shot Clinics scheduled every other week.

Sunday 9:00 – 11:00	Advanced Round Robin
11:00 – 1:00	Intermediate Round Robin
1:00 – 3:00	Facilitated Round Robin for Beginners

Sundays limited to 12 per group with time for ½ hour of warm up drills for each session.

## **8. Status of Ladder League:**

Ladder League is history for this year.

**9. Indoor Summer Gym Booking Elijah Smith School - Jim:**

We anticipate getting approval for Tuesday evenings 6:00 – 9:00 pm mid-June to mid-August. Programming will be determined once the time is confirmed

**10. Summer Mt Mac – Tennis Yukon Reply:**

We are still waiting a response from Tennis Yukon regarding our court line and use proposal.

**11. Outdoor Courts – Gord**

Jim met with Pat Ross's temporary acting replacement at COW on April 5<sup>th</sup> to discuss outdoor court land needs. The new contact will be Melody Simard who is now the lead in Parks has extensive experience with the Planning unit. Jim will present the updated 13-page proposal from YPA when he meets with Melody Simard. He will be discussing our intention to submit very specific recommendations for court space. These include Dog Park along Sumanik Drive and a piece of property along Robert Service Way.

In the interim YPA needs to establish a committee that will look at developing a Feasibility Study.

**12. Spring clean-up**

All the COW spring cleanup sites have been allocated this year. YPA will apply in January for next year's cleanup. We are not interested in applying for the YG Highways cleanup this year.

Meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm.

Next Meeting: Next Monthly meeting (Planning Meeting) Rescheduled to May 123 2023, 12:00 – 4:00 @ Sport Yukon.

Prepared by W. Brennan