Board Meeting – Tuesday December 3, 2019 10:00am – 12:20pm

Present – John Henrion, Cheryl Manzone, Brad Caldwell, Karen Wolf, Deb Richter

Absent – Susan Gapen

Deb let us know that the tournament dates shown on NC Pickleball are incorrect. Cheryl will contact Jose Galan to revise these.

Budget – John asked for $2100 in the 2020 CF budget for our club needs. We should find out in the next week if the budget passed. He explained that when we purchase food, it is not reimbursable through the CF money – we use the funds from the guest jar or other fund raisers for the club for this category. The attached budget is correct for the end of the year minus about $174 that needs to go to Deb Richter for purchasing Penn balls.

Calendar for 2020 events and play –

* No Daily Dose on December 5 – 15th (Deb will be away); put it on the calendar in January and then check with Deb each month before the calendar is published about dates she may be traveling; All Play will continue to start at 10:00am for the winter months
* Break out play for everyday during the on-season starting May 1st:
  + Have separate times for level play: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday Advanced play at 9:00; Monday is Novice play at 11:00 and court 6 is for novice players all the time if they want to use it during All Play
  + Add an additional time slot – Thursdays 9:00 Advanced play, **10:30-11:00 Advanced/Intermediate play overlap**, 11:00 All Play
  + Continue All Play 9:00 Monday, Wednesday, Friday; 11:00 Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday; 1:00 Sunday
  + 4:00pm on Wednesday alternate each week After Work Social with After Work Round Robin play
* Annual meeting – hold it on Wednesday, June 3rd at 4:00pm at the Lake Atagahi Pavilion
* CF Student Scholarship Tournament dates will be Friday September 25, Saturday September 26, and Sunday September 27 (Cheryl will be sure these are put on the POA calendar as well)
* Newbies Open House will be on Saturday, June 6 (we will need to man an informational table for our club)
* We would still like to have an Introduction to Pickleball event following the Newbies Open House for those that are interested in learning more about our club (date to be determined)
* Interclub social – we would like to have Keowee Key, and maybe other clubs, come to have a social mixer at CF (maybe in May? June? – check with Deb Richter as months get closer)
* February – Chili Cook-Off – John Henrion will organize (date to be determined by then the Grill might be available to use)
* March – St. Patty’s Day social on Tuesday, March 17th at 2:00pm
* April – After Tax Day Blues social on Wednesday, April 15th at 2:00pm
* May – Dinko De Mayo social on Wednesday, May 6th at 4:00pm
* June – Flag Day social on Sunday, June 14th at 4:00pm
* July/August – open for now but could do Intro to Pickleball event or community social inviting boys/girls from Cindy Platt Club or intraclub mixer (we will leave this up to Sue Gapen and the social committee)
* September is our tournament
* October – Halloween social on Wednesday, October 28th at 2:00pm
* November – Sharing House Fundraiser Event on Wednesday, November 18th from 12:00 – 3:00pm

Other topics of discussion –

How do you get on a court when they are full/busy? – Brad will look into putting pvc pipe on the fence to hold paddles in numbered spots as a system to use when the courts are busy. Winners can stay on the court they just finished playing on, split apart and play with a new partner for a maximum of 2 games in a row. Then they must exit the court and put their paddle in line with everyone else waiting.

Balls – Deb Richter bought about 72 Penn balls which we spent 2019 money for. These will be put out on the courts for everyday use as needed. John will hold on to the Fuse balls that he currently has for the September tournament. Deb will get the extra Pure balls from John to put in the ball machine. She will give the old green balls currently in the machine to Brad/Bill Buchler to use for making holiday decorations (if they want to do this)

Snow on Courts – we will be locking the new courts 1 & 2 when there is adverse weather forecast. John will check with Doug Balne about the location of the keys for the three locks we currently have. BRAD WILL MAKE THE CALL WHETHER OR NOT TO LOCK THE COURTS WITH AN EMAIL TO THE OTHER BOARD MEMBERS FOR APPROVAL AND HE WILL PHYSICALLY GO TO LOCK THE COURTS (can use Karen Wolf as a back up if needed). Cheryl will send an eblast to the club members now so they are aware of this new policy. It will read: “If there is frozen precipitation forecast, the committee will be locking courts 1 & 2 (new courts) and will make a decision when they will be made available for play. Regarding the other four courts – please use the plastic shovels located by the shed and/or the BATT towels if they need to have snow removed. DO NOT CHIP ICE as this causes damage to the court surface.”

Maintenance/on hold items for the 2020+ or beyond budget –

Brad will set up a meeting with Jim Whitmore and Spencer in the spring to see how the courts fared over the winter months regarding worsening of the cracks in the surfaces and how repairing them will be addressed

Shades on the shelter – from 2020 budget - need to purchase sunshade/sails for the common area – Brad will follow up with Spencer

PA system – possible from 2020 budget – costs around $300; if we don’t get one, we can use the community PA system available through the golf shop

Brad will work toward cleaning the ball machine so the balls feed more accurately

Pickleball Rocks was selected to be our vendor for club shirt sales. Deb will look into getting sample sizes and committee members and a few others can place an order (minimum of 12 shirts) to wear during the Chili Cook -Off in February. That day we can start open sales using a prepaid ordering system. Cheryl will be in charge at that point to organize the sale and distribution. Specific dates and times will be set to have members come to try on, order and prepay. Ordering will also be made available through the mail with special guidelines and deadline dates. Cheryl will contact George Goyette to say thank you for his proposal and let him know he was not selected to be our vendor this year.

With John stepping down, Deb Richter will come onto the board as the chair for player development. Cheryl Manzone will become the new board chairperson as a contact for the club. Karen Wolf will become the chair of the finance committee, effectively becoming the treasurer. Cheryl will contact John and Karen to set a date to go to make signature changes at the bank and sit to learn the system used for our financial books. Cheryl will also meet with John to collect other information she needs in taking over as the chairperson of the board as of January 1, 2020.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, January 8th @ 10:00am @ the Grill.