

Minutes of the Connestee Falls Pickleball Committee – Sept 5th 2023

In Attendance: Brad Caldwell, Debbie Dove, Betsey Merriken, Leanne Ely and Chris Wunder
Absent: Dave Varian

Financial: Debbie submitted a comprehensive financial report as of Aug 25th which included a P and L and detailed transactions year to date. As of that date, the balance in the accounts was \$1313 which excludes \$670 in POA reimbursements to be submitted. The club has approximately \$500 of its 2023 POA budget left to spend before year end.

Change to winter play schedule – Brad suggested to start October 1st however the committee decided to change to the winter schedule starting November 1st.

Lake Toxaway Inter Club Event – it was decided to postpone it for this year and have it Spring 2024. Brad contacted Lake Toxaway to confirm this.

Cummings Cove Competitive Event – Debbie mentioned she is working on an event for sometime in November.

October Social will be Wednesday October 18th from 3 to 5pm.

CPR Clinic will be held on September 16th at 3pm. Prior sign-up is required.

Pickleball Merchandise Store is temporarily on hold in order to work financial details. Chris has offered to help Leanne with other options.

Novice Court Time – it was discussed that more novice time is needed, this will be considered when setting the winter schedule

CF Student Scholarship Pickleball Tournament Sept 22, 23 and 24 – Chris Wunder has taken over as director of the tournament and has everything well organized. As of this date there are 118 teams registered compared to 101 last year.

Items for October Committee Meeting

Sharing House Event – November 11th? Time? Promotion? Wanted items to donation?

Pickleball Club Rules and Regulations Update has been submitted and will take a couple months to be reviewed and approved the the CF Board. Directives to be completed for the club include:

1. Registration for Sign Up genius and the club website is to be added to the CFPOA Member website for easy access by new community members.
2. Update the content about the Pickleball Club on the CFPOA Member website
3. Include in the Friday Flyer and posted on the Pickleball Court notice to use the CFPOA Member website for registration instructions for item 1.

2024 Budget Request has been submitted and includes monies for a new deluxe practice ball machine. The budget request will be reviewed by the CF Board for approval and then voted on the CF Community as part of the 2024 Community Budget.

New Deluxe Practice Ball Machine - Dave will research ball machines, features, options and prices and provide information to discuss in the November Committee meeting.

Future Winter Work Projects

New Ball Machine – create a training plan. Develop a method to divide the courts so balls stay on one side. Reserve ball machine on SUG? Pay to use ball machine like Brevard Racquet Club?

FOB Access

- haven't heard any complaints lately about problems
- Original concerns about getting access to the landline phone in the pool area for emergency calls. Can phone be placed on the post with the AED?
- The Rules and Regs Task Force may suggest that a gate/fence be installed at the courts that would require FOB access. Status?

Update club email list.

Research alternatives to SUG that is easier to use and make updates.

Look into making a comprehensive website for club information and court sign-ups. This could be either tied into the CFPOA Member website or a stand alone site.