

NPB Exec Meeting Minutes – May 11, 2022

The meeting was called to Order: Tuesday May. 11th at 7:02 PM. The meeting was a virtual meeting using an application called Zoom.

Present: John Davis, Sue Newell, Lyle Evans, Garry Robbins, Harvey Hall, Deb Marshall, John Yim, and Anna Edgar.

Regrets: John Emmons

Purpose of the Meeting: Monthly Exec meeting

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Moved by John Davis, seconded by Lyle Evans that the minutes of the April 2022 meeting be adopted as circulated. Motion Passed.

Treasurers Report:

Lyle submitted his monthly report highlighting the following:

Results for the Month of April 2022

- Revenue of \$3,354.39 is made up of play session revenue of \$1,125.022 and membership fees of \$2,287.50
 - Memberships fees are recording in the month they were purchased but the cash could still be in the Stripe account. This impacts on the revenue allocated to play sessions in the month.
 - Training revenue was \$40 for the Introduction to Pickleball session on April 30.
- Expenses in the month were \$2,736.95.
 - The OW gym rental was \$2,253.86
 - Fees \$82.13 in the month were for CourtReserve, Domain Name and Banking Fees
- Net Profit for the month was \$617.44
- Based on actual usage in the month, income from play sessions was \$2,580.25 and the OW gym rental was \$1,997.02 for a profit of \$583.23

Results for the 12 months ended April 30, 2022

- Revenue of \$27,807.73 included \$21,148.61 for play sessions (includes refunds to members for unused punch cards of \$155), membership fees of \$5,270.00 and tournament revenue of \$720.00 and training revenue of

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\$130.00 (Introduction to Pickleball). Included in Other Income is a \$500 grant from Pickleball BC for the Youth Program and bank interest.

- Expenses for the period were \$27,389.72 which is mainly for OW gym rentals of \$23,467.86. Tournament expenses were \$407.09 which includes the sale of the tournament balls. Balls and supplies amounted to \$986.68 and costs for our Website, CourtReserve, Domain Name and Banking Fees were \$1,076.18.
- Major expenditures include the purchase of four Onix portable nets for \$812.61 and costs for the Youth program totally \$639 (\$504 for paddles and \$135 for balls).
- Net Profit for the 12-month period was \$418.01.
- Cash in the bank is \$20,752.14 and cash in Stripe was \$1,887.45 for total cash of \$22,639.59

Moved by Lyle Evans, seconded by Harvey Hall that the minutes of the April 2022 meeting be adopted as circulated. Motion Passed.

Memberships

- Members in good standing increased by 22 in April. See the breakdown for memberships below:

Membership:	
Members in Good Standing	228
Members Suspended - not current PCO/PBBC Members	33
Subtotal	261
Members Suspended - Membership fees not paid in full	1
Total	262
Active Guest Memberships	0

CourtReserve

- CourtReserve is increasing the price from \$25US to \$35US effective June 1 2022. Although they have increased the price they have now included Attendance Tracker (\$15) and Player Matcher Maker (\$25) at no cost.
 - Attendance Tracker – If we wish to track trends on who is playing and how often we could activate this feature in June. Might provide us with some insight on who the frequent players are.

- The additional of Pickleball Brackets to our sessions is adding about \$.67 per player to the cost of sessions. For a full Thursday session (\$6.50/pp) we were making a profit of \$4.56 but with the addition of PBB we are losing \$8.64 per session.
- At the end of April 2022, we had 176 members for the 2022/23 year.

PCO Memberships

- As of April 30, 2022, there were 33 members who have not renewed their PCO membership, and their membership is suspended in CourtReserve.

Club Play Report:

Our new spring sessions are experiencing mixed results in terms of attendance. We have reduced Saturday play from 2 to 1 gym. In addition, the Sunday play for advanced players has not proved popular. The session is being modified to accommodate “social” play for 3.0+ players.

NPC Indoor Facility Report:

- No further information is available on the request for a specific field house at Beban Park.
- To date we have not heard back from the NUFC organization with respect to supporting our field house request. They are likely not to participate with us.
- The meeting scheduled for May 10th with the Parks, Recreation and Culture management team was postponed due to an illness in our group. The meeting is rescheduled for Thursday the 19th. We will discuss outdoor facilities and introduce the concept of a Sports Hub. This will incorporate our request for a field house at Beban Park along with new outdoor facilities to centralize play of the four main request sports.

Harewood Facility Report:

Gary reported on usage and open house evaluation of the facility. It is important to realize the venue is an “Outdoor” facility with the associated weather conditions being factors in play. The benefit is the protection against precipitation. The floor condition poses a safety threat as players found it to be slippery regardless of the type of footwear being used. The city is aware and will look into this problem.

Club Ratings:

Lyle presented a proposed policy on how players could have their ratings adjusted. The procedure was presented and was adopted by passing of a motion.

Moved by Lyle Evans, seconded by John Davis that the procedure be adopted as amended. After a minor modification to the procedure, the motion passed. Lyle will post the procedure to WEB site.

Discussion also identified that decisions on rating changes by the executive would be made based largely upon input from the court coordinators.

Youth Program Report:

Nanaimo Pickleball Club Junior Program

Junior Program continued this month with 3 days instruction at Ladysmith Secondary School April 25-27. This was a grade 9 group with approximately 16 -20 students using 2 gyms and 8 badminton courts with very faint boundary lines. The group was extremely successful and the experience was found to be rewarding by everyone involved. The group was fully engaged, showed huge improvement and an interest in Pickleball.

In Ladysmith we modified our plans due to shorter class-time and a younger audience. NPC member Murray Carver, also a former PE teacher, as well as Dave Eaton, assisted us in Ladysmith. We incorporated the use of gym walls for practicing strokes and placed 2 students on a court for drilling because of the luxury of 8 courts. Again the teacher was left with detailed lesson plans to continue the program in the school.

At this time the junior program will be put on hold until September as previous commitments will take Harvey through to the end July. School invitations for fall school instruction will be going out in mid-June thanks to Deb. Scheduling of gym time with multiple PE&H classes, Covid protocols and poor outside weather conditions may have been the source of less than expected school interest and participation this term.

Additional Grant

A grant application was investigated using the Canadian Tire Jumpstart Program to support gym rentals however applications were closed earlier this year. We will try again later this year when applications re-open November 4. This hopefully will be used to offset gym rentals.

Teacher Professional Development

A Physical Education and Health Teacher instructional opportunity is being advertised for the February 6, 2023 SD68 District Professional Development Day. We will use NPC members to instruct and provide the teachers with lesson plans for

various levels of Pickleball in their schools. The teachers will arrange the use of a school gym for this purpose. A sample poster was sent out to your emails yesterday (Monday), this poster will be used for advertising with the Nanaimo District Teachers Association.

Junior Club Play/Instruction

We are also pursuing a couple of days or 1/2 days during Professional Development days for playing time for Nanaimo students. Advertising will hopefully go out for this through SD68 newsletters.

Introduction to Pickleball:

The session initially had 18 or so people interested, however that interest diminished to 4 for registration and only 3 showed up. It was felt that the requirement to join the club was a deterrent. We will continue to look at ways to offer this session. Sue will look into a PR&C lead session as was done in the past.

Old Business:

- Anna will send out the final agenda and notice of the AGM this week. The people standing for office will be incorporated into that new agenda.
- Sue will try to confirm a date for the OW rec center in order to plan for an indoor event.

NEW Business:

John D proposed the club address the issue of serving the ball into the “wall” at specific courts. After discussion the issue was tabled. Concerns about this problem should be addressed amongst the competitors playing on the affected courts prior to the start of play.

The UkraineAid Charity Mixed Doubles Tournament will be held on June 4th at Pacific Shores Resort. All proceeds will go to UNHCR Ukraine. If rain delayed then rescheduled for the 5th.

Adjournment:

As there was no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:24 PM. The next meeting will be Tuesday, June 14th. This is the second Tuesday in June and will be the first meeting for the new executive.