

Cambridge Area Pickleball Association, Inc

Annual Meeting May 10, 2022

East Central Minnesota Library

Present: Mike Mueller, Dee Mueller, Mary Person, Mary Kay Thomas, Craig Molin, Steve Wilson, Craig Sandstrom, Bill Smrekar, Dick Welch, Steve Pederson, Patricia Peterson, Tracy Lehn, Genevieve Sroka, Peiwu Daniels, Ken Sutton, Debra Hadden, Rob Konen

The Annual Meeting was called to order by Mike Mueller at 6PM. As required by the bylaws, CAPA must hold an annual meeting.

All present introduced themselves.

The meeting agenda was presented. (see attached) There were no changes so Dick Welch moved that it be accepted. Bill Smrekar seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

Mary Person made a motion that was seconded by Dick Welch that the minutes of the November 11/16/2021 be accepted. The motion was approved.

Mike Mueller read the President's Report. (see attached)

Proposed Amendment to Bylaws. Article III, Section C: Change the first sentence to read: "All Directors are elected for a two year term". This change does not limit the consecutive terms a Director may hold his/her office. Dick Welch commented that in many organizations there are no term limits so it makes sense to change our bylaws. A motion was made by Bill Smrekar that the bylaws be changed accordingly. Craig Molin seconded and the motion carried.

Nominations Committee: Because Directors Tracy Lehn and Bill Smrekar will be leaving the Board, 2 new directors are needed. Steve Pederson and Paul Brown were introduced as nominations. (Paul was not present). Mike Mueller was nominated to continue as President. There were no further nominations from the floor. Nominations were closed. Mary Person moved that these positions be approved. Craig Molin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Because Bill Smrekar will no longer be Vice President, nominations were opened for a new Vice President. Mike Mueller read the duties of the Vice President. Dick Welch nominated Steve Pederson for Vice President. There were no other nominations. Mike Mueller asked Mary Person if she would continue as Treasurer, She accepted. Mike Mueller asked Mary Kay Thomas if she would continue as Secretary. She accepted. Dick Welch made a motion that these members would serve in the respective offices. Mike Mueller seconded. Motion carried.

## Committee Reports

### Treasurer's Report: Mary Person

Audit conducted on April 28, 2022 by Tom Smith and Ken Nastrom. All balances were affirmed to be accurate. (see attached)

Checking account balance as of 11/15/2021 was \$13,253.58

Checking account balance as of 5/9/2022 is \$17,988.06 but with a payment to the Armory it is actually \$17,038.06.

Savings account balance as of 11/2021 was \$111.07

Savings account balance as of 5/2022 is \$111.13

Library room rental is \$20.00. Postal box rental is \$70.00

There are 151 paid memberships. Thirty-five of those paid using PayPal.

There were no questions regarding treasurer's report.

### League Committee: Ken Sutton reported on behalf of Diane Hennig

Ladder leagues were discussed. Peiwu Daniels explained the process of the ladder based on skill levels of the respective players, whether individual or team skill. Ladders are started by registration, not by skill level. Participants are then able to choose who their opponents might be and schedule their own games. Craig Molin asked about getting substitutes if you cannot make all the games. Substitutes are allowed two times but not at tournaments. The substitute must be at a comparable skill level.

League sign up sheets are due May 25.

A new report on league play will be prepared by Peiwu and given to Mike Mueller.

### Lesson Committee: Dick Welch

The instructors of the lessons are: Dick Welch, Steve Pederson, Pat Jaeger, Mary Kay Thomas. A thank you to Konnie O'Neil and Jackie Moen for their serving as instructors in the past.

Beginner lessons started on May 9 and 11. Other dates will be May 23 and 25 and early June.

Community Ed has asked for youth (12-18 year olds) pickleball lessons. In the past there has not been much interest but this is a possibility.

Mike Mueller asked if Dick Welch would provide a court schedule.



Tournament Committee: Bill Smrekar

This is to be a local (CAPA members only) tournament Saturday, June 11. June 3<sup>rd</sup> is registration deadline. Entry fee is \$20.00. There will be 8 teams of 2 skill levels- low intermediate and high intermediate. As of this meeting, there are 2 upper level teams and 5 lower level teams. This is a round robin tournament with the top 4 of each group going to semi finals. If there are 16 teams that sign up, there will be a bonus instructional clinic the next day. (see attached report)

Ken Sutton commented that we might need a liability release form. This may be on the registration form.

Budget 2022: Mike Mueller

The proposed budget included a list of items to enhance the outdoor courts. They were all open for discussion and approval by the members present.

- Information signs and banners to remind players to pick up after themselves and use benches for seating, not for bags, water bottles, etc. Mike Mueller will bring hooks to hang bags on fence.

Agreement with the city for the exclusive use of the courts by CAPA. Discussion that we have the use of 8 courts in the mornings (8-12 Monday thru Saturday) and 6 courts in the evening (5-8 Monday thru Saturday).

- Backboard equipment for placement on the tennis courts was discussed as to whether CAPA purchase a backboard or make one. Backboards are expensive to purchase and may or may not be used, Peiwu Daniels will inquire about someone to make one.

- Roll Dri Rollers for removing water from courts were discussed. It was decided that we would purchase 2 Roll Dri rollers, 1 broom and 2 squeegees. Mary Person will purchase the broom and squeegees.

- Tree windbreak was discussed because of damage to the windscreens. It was determined that there would be too many needles on the courts as well as maintenance that the city would have to do to make it a practical choice. Another option could be windscreens on the inside and outside of the fence(s).

- Another storage box and/or storage cabinet for our supplies was discussed. Mike Mueller has researched what is available and a 4 ft box is available from Northern Hydraulics for \$500. Menards has a cabinet that would accommodate brooms, etc. It is 82 inches ht x 42 inches w. Cost \$800 less 11%. We need to get approval from city. Bill Smrekar brought up idea of a large storage shed in the future to be near the hockey rink.

- Leaf blower for drying the courts will be purchased. It will be battery operated.

- Ball machine was discussed and because of cost factor it was decided that we might ask Steve Hill if we could rent his.

In other discussion, Mike Mueller brought up an issue with the liability waiver that the Armory had requested in their lease agreement with CAPA. We do not have this type of insurance but on future membership applications perhaps we would need individuals to sign a waiver.

Mike Mueller and Dick Welsh are meeting with Isanti Community Ed to discuss alternative courts for pickleball play, other than Isanti Middle School.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bill Smekar and seconded by Craig Sandstrom. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Mary Kay Thomas