

**Sequim Picklers**  
PO Box 3441  
Sequim, WA 98382  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
January 12th, 2020  
Library of the Boys and Girls Club

Members present: Ann Elliot, Diane Froula, Denise Cordero, Mary Helen Benapfl, Richard Bemm, Richard Cary, Mike Cooper

Board members present: Sharman Owings, President; Pam Woodruff, Secretary; Kendal Wake, Director of Court Operations; Krista Rambow, Director of Communications; Warren Mecca, Membership Chair. Robert Olson, Vice President and Katinka Nanna, Treasurer had both resigned their positions.

**Member comments:**

**Denise** asked about the feedback received on the fee proposal. The Secretary replied that there had been 16 responses of which 10 were in favor, 3 were against and 3 were unclear.

**Mary Helen** asked about the meeting held between the President and the City's Attorney. The President summarised the meeting:

- It was very cordial and encourages the club in their belief that a good relationship with the city can be maintained.
- The club suggested having a Memorandum of Understanding with the city in lieu of a contract. The Attorney will investigate the possibility.
- The club property at the courts was discussed and an inventory is being drawn up and will be sent to the city.
- The city has grown and is now in a different category. As a result, money donated to the city may not be earmarked for the project the donor intended, but goes into the general funds. This means that if the club donates money to the city for resurfacing the courts, for example, there is no guarantee that the money will be used for that. However, if the nets need replacing, the club could donate new nets.
- The signage at the courts will be evaluated.
- The city is clear that the Sequim Picklers cannot charge anyone to play at the Carrie Blake courts.
- Jason Loihle will become head of a department covering Parks, Recreation and the Arts. In the future there may be a reservation system in place, but there is no money for a system currently available.
- There will be a further meeting.

**Diane** asked about the existing cracks. These will be repaired by the original contractor.

**Mary Helen** stated that she would like to see fees reduced. In a subsequent comment she clarified that she would like to see refunds offered to those who recently became Bronze members.

**Board Meeting**

1. **The President** called the meeting to order at 3:16 PM.
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**2.1. Quorum:** The Secretary determined a quorum was present.

**2.2. Secretary's Report:** The Secretary moved to approve the minutes of the December 8th 2019 meeting. Seconded by the Membership Chair. The motion was unanimously approved.

3. **Financial:**
  - 3.1. **Financial state:** The Treasurer submitted a written report stating that there is approximately \$68,000 between the bank account, savings and a CD.
4. **Club fees:** The President moved to accept the proposed fee schedule described in the document 'Fee Proposal Jan2020.pdf'. Seconded by the Membership Chair. There was considerable discussion on needing to get a good estimate of the costs. With the pay-to-play fees now being untenable, it was stated that some higher level players might rejoin. Monthly members would be tracked via membership badges with the month paid for on them. The motion was unanimously approved. A discussion on possible refunds and the possibility of reducing fees at the Boys and Girls Club was deferred.
5. **Web camera:** The Director of Court Operations stated that the camera is operational and, at present, the images are only available on a mobile device. Details on accessing the device will be made available to all members. He will investigate getting the image on the web site.
6. **Ratings:** The previous committee has come to the end of their tenure and were thanked for all the many hours they put in to the ratings. In future, ratings will come under the purview of PCOC. Robert Rankin has offered to help. Skinny Singles will be used with testing done using people from the mid-range of the level aspired to. Current USAPA ratings give equal weight to both partners in doubles and only consider wins and losses. There is software available that models a system that is more sophisticated and is currently being adopted by both the Canadian and Australian National associations. The Director of Court Operations moved to approve expenditure of up to \$30 to test this system. Seconded by the Membership Chair. The motion was unanimously approved.
7. **Winter party:** The Membership Chair updated the rest of the Board on developing plans for the party.
8. **Resignations:** The Secretary moved to accept, with regret, the resignations of the Vice President and the Treasurer. Seconded by the Director of Court Operations. The motion was unanimously approved. The Secretary moved to direct the nominating committee to seek candidates for the positions of Vice President and the Treasurer. Seconded by the President. The motion was unanimously approved.
9. **Next meeting:** The next Board meeting will be on Sunday 9th February at 3:00 pm at the Boys and Girls Club.
10. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 4:18 pm.

**Tickler:**

- *Charity state registration expires 11/30/2020. Action Secretary*
- *501c3 form 990 N due by 12/31 every year. Action Treasurer*
- *WA State Non-profit Corp annual report due. 4/30/2020. Action Secretary*
- *WA State Business license renewal due. 4/30/2020. Action Secretary*
- *Federal Excise Tax due January 2020. Action Treasurer*