



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes November 20, 2022

- The Board of Directors met on November 20, 2022.
- The meeting was in person at Lane Community College (Roger Schaljo called in)
- The meeting was called by the Board of Directors.
- The notice for the meeting was given more than seven days in advance in writing.
- The directors present for the meeting were Eric Wold (President), Roger Schaljo (Vice President), Kat Beal (Secretary), Maureen McCauley (Treasurer), Bob Block, Jeff Seldon, Chris Payne, and Ann Larivee.
- Whit Hemphill was not present.
- A Quorum was present because there are currently 9 directors on the Board and 8 of them were present at this meeting.
- Please note that ACTION ITEMS are *italicized*, below.

1. Review Agenda

- a. No items were added to the agenda.

2. Finance Report

- a. Maureen McCauley presented the financial report for October 2022. Income was solely from membership dues and amounted to \$1,019.55. Business expenses totaled \$438.38, for net income of \$581.17 in October.
- b. For the period July - October, total inflows were \$7831.30, while outflows were \$3,499.25, for a net gain of \$4,332.05.
- c. Maureen noted that we have \$15,000 budgeted for “Outdoor facility maintenance and expansion” that it appears we will not spend this year, and requests that *board member committees provide her estimates of their expenses for the development of next year’s budget.*

3. Recommendation for Foundation Board Appointment

- a. Roger Schaljo proposed the Club Board appoint Alan Rexus to the Emerald Valley Pickleball Foundation board of directors. The Club board then requested that the Foundation board provide a recommendation to the Club board for proposed appointments, to insure

that the person nominated has the full support of the Foundation board prior to appointment by the Club board. After the Foundation provides this, the Club board will vote on the nomination via email. (After receiving unanimous support from the Foundation board, the nomination was unanimously approved by the Club board via on-line voting on November 21, 2022).

4. Committee Report 1: Government Relations (with Foundation)

- a. Eric Wold presented recent accomplishments of this committee including the exciting news that after meeting with the city of Eugene, the City agreed in writing to resurface the Westmoreland Pickleball Courts this year, covering all costs. The committee also requested that the City reach out to several area high schools (where the City manages the courts) with a request for lining the tennis courts for pickleball for use when tennis is not being played (including Sheldon, Echo Hollow, and Churchill. The committee is also reaching out directly to the 4J School District about the courts at North Eugene High School.
- b. The committee also discussed with the city of Eugene the potential for including funding for the Regional Pickleball Facility at LCC in their upcoming annual budget or in the spring 2023 renewal of the levy. The Committee will meet with City execs in December to continue the conversation about the Regional Pickleball Facility.
- c. In other Westmoreland news, the City of Eugene failed to complete resurfacing of the Churchill High tennis courts, and the Westmoreland Pickleball courts are likely to be used by the Churchill tennis teams for practice, from February through mid-May of 2023. The City proposed that during this period, the courts would not be available for pickleball. The Committee has urged the City to allow pickleball when the courts are not in use by the tennis teams (which is most of the day) using portable nets. The City is evaluating this idea. At the end of the tennis season, the City will resurface the Westmoreland Park courts (likely in July or August).
- d. The committee will be meeting with the University of Oregon and the City of Springfield to discuss partnership opportunities for funding for the Regional Pickleball Facility.

5. Committee Report 2: Annual Club Tournament

- a. Eric Wold reported that finding a date for the annual club tournament at Meadow Park is going to be tricky because Willamalane will resurface the courts this summer. As of now, Willamalane is intending to have its contractor (Beynon Sports) start resurfacing the courts on May 15, 2023.

6. Committee Report 3: Membership

- a. Roger Schaljo reported that the club currently has around 650 members.

7. Committee Report 4: Social Events

- a. The committee hopes to have a social event in conjunction with a newbie round robin or similar event this spring, will present a proposal for a social event associated with the annual business meeting this spring, and is looking for ideas for an additional event.

8. Committee Report 5: Existing court Issues/maintenance

- a. Whit Hemphill has replaced the stolen lock box at Meadow Park and has plans for additional theft deterrence.

9. Committee Report 6: Learn to Play clinics

- a. There are no clinics scheduled at this time. The YMCA has a class for new players every Thursday.

10. Committee Report 7: T-Shirts

- a. No report.

11. Committee Report 8: Local Pickleball Facility Growth

- a. Roger and several Club members from Pleasant Hill are communicating with Pleasant Hill High School regarding establishment and use of courts at the school.

12. Committee Report 9: Etiquette (Court Rules)

- a. Willamalane has approved our request for a sign at Meadow Park that presents general etiquette rules for play. They wanted to change one of our suggestions to require that any time players are waiting, the paddle system would go into effect.

13. Committee Report 10: Information Technology

- a. A report was provided last month - nothing new to report.

14. Committee Report 11: Planning and Design for Regional Facility

- a. Eric Wold reported that a draft design for the regional facility was sent to our landscape design firm with a request for a cost estimate. Eric will follow up next week if no response.

15. Transitioning to an organization with paid staff

- a. Pursuant to Section 1 (Compensation of Officers and Directors) and Section 2 (Conflict of Interest) of Article VII (Miscellaneous Provisions) in the Foundation's bylaws, the following procedures were followed:
 - i. Eric Wold disclosed a conflict of interest because the topic of discussion involved creation of a position that he may be potentially interested in applying for.
 - ii. Eric Wold abstained from the conversation and left the room.
 - iii. The rest of the Board of Directors then discussed the issue.
- b. At the club's October meeting, a committee was formed to evaluate the desirability and feasibility of adding a paid, part-time staff position (executive director) to the club's organization. The committee consisted of Bob Block, Jeff Seldon, Ann Larivee, Whit Hemphill and Kat Beal.
- c. Bob Block presented the committee's recommendation to the board, which was that the board table the issue, and embark on a strategic and business planning process that will address the club's goals, and the human and financial resources needed to achieve them.
- d. Roger Schaljo suggested and the board agreed that this proposal be put on the January meeting agenda.

16. Next Board Meeting Date: TBD

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Signature of Secretary: *Kat Beal*

Date: Nov 29, 2022