



SANTA FE PICKLEBALL CLUB BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
JULY 14, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 11:20. Present: Kiki Hummel, Jeff Holbrook, Gaby Loy, Mike Jackson, Bruce Panowski, Nancy Mroz and Chuck Stein.

The minutes from April were approved.

Treasurer's Report – attached. Jeff will contact Jon Bernard re: website fees. Chuck stated if the budget becomes more complex, he will need to use Quicken or Quickbooks which will incur expenses. We will add an amendment to the By-Laws regarding the President approving all expenditures up to \$500 in addition to the Treasurer.

Membership Report: Gaby stated we have over 204 members. We will investigate attaching a membership application on the TeamReach app. Nancy will research how to allow a person to fill out their form online via the website.

USAPA REPORT

We discussed the benefits of joining the USAPA. The cost would be about \$200 a year and we would be eligible for their “reduced fee” D&O insurance, and accident insurance at \$5.00/member. We would also get a banner. Mike brought up a New Mexico law that absolves liability for inherently dangerous activities, such as equine sports. Kiki to research this and see if it is applicable. Gaby gave Kiki the email address of another insurance company to work with.

OLD BUSINESS

Fort Marcy Updates

- On June 30, the city voted to convert the Fort Marcy tennis courts to 100% pickleball. The city will pay for the conversion and the 6 nets, 4 of which have been assembled and are being utilized. Regarding the money Cindy Lawton collected (checks made out to SFPBC but held by Cindy), she is asking each donor if they would like to still donate to the club or would they prefer their check be destroyed.
- The city will not let us install a shade structure.
- Gaby discussed the need to have spectators move off the courts. We will plan on improving a spot outside of the fence for spectators.
- The beginner “lessons” are going well and are well-attended. Mike will help on Tuesdays.

Romero Park

Jeff is still working with the county (3 years now) but has no update.

T-SHIRTS

We decided to order extra t-shirts to keep on hand. Gaby will place the order soon in case there are any outstanding orders. The t-shirts will arrive about 3 weeks after the order is placed. 38 orders have been received so far.

NEW BUSINESS

We have 2 vice-presidents for no apparent reason. Mike agreed to move to Director-at-Large, leaving Bruce Panowski as the sole Vice President. We voted to accept Christine Wantuck’s resignation. Nancy Mroz will be the Director at Large in charge of venue coordinators as well as social “director”. We suggested Faith Spencer be the venue coordinator for SFCC. We suggested Mary Page be venue coordinator for GCCC. (*Note: Kiki emailed Mary Page on 7/15 and asked her if she was interested in this position – she declined*). Gaby and Cindy L. are both city liaisons for Fort Marcy. The President needs to be made aware of certain items, although not necessarily events.

Quail Run has now lined some of its tennis courts for pickleball. We should investigate a venue coordinator for that locale. St. John's College is apparently also offering pickleball.

Gaby will get a thank you card to be signed by Fort Marcy players to send to the city to thank them for the court conversion.

We agreed that ABQ tournament information should be included in our newsletter. Bruce reminded us articles are due by the 20th.

MILAGRO MIDDLE SCHOOL PICKLEBALL COURTS

- Milagro Middle School striped 2 (?) pickleball courts on top of their outdoor basketball courts. Kiki drove over to check them out but couldn't ascertain anything outside of the locked gates. There would be a fee to use the courts, and a lot of reservations and paperwork. The addition of these courts is not a solution to the need for pickleball courts in Santa Fe. However, an avid club member, Melissa Clayton, works at Milagro and could be a liaison.

SCORP MEETING REPORT

Jeff had a zoom meeting with the Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Planning Committee. Pickleball at first was not mentioned, but he and some others pushed for it, and in the survey of desirable activities to pursue, pickleball was finally listed near the top.

VOLUNTEERS

Mike Jackson agreed to be the volunteer liaison. We need to put clean up days on TeamReach and aim for about 4/year. We voted to spend up to \$250 for a battery-operated blower.

Linda Shafer would like to become more involved.

EVENTS

There is a fun tournament this Thursday at Fort Marcy. Gaby will get some Gatorade and nuts, etc. at Sam's to sell as a fundraiser. She also suggested setting up a wish list on Amazon for prizes that people could donate.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held **Tuesday, October 19 at 11:00 AM** with pickleball play beforehand at 9:30 at the Tennis club. We will be discussing the upcoming election of officers in March. A nominating committee will be formed.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 1:15 PM.