



SOPA Board Meeting Minutes November 1, 2022

In Attendance: George Morgan, DeAnn Winter, Chelsea Broesder, Nani Nakamatsu

State of the Organization

As of today we have 120 members. As a board we want to be transparent and have open communication with the pickleball community and its members. George to post the minutes on the website.

Ladder Play Update

The ladies ladder play has been a success! We had 16 women sign up to participate for 6 consecutive weeks of play. Two of the dates were rained out but Parks and Recreation has credited our account in the amount of \$20. It was decided amongst Lisa and myself that the rating system could be streamlined if we had the highest player of each court move up and the lowest player move down. In effect each player is playing to get to the next level court or at least maintaining their position at their current court. The current ranking system created by Lisa was complicated for open play but could be used for closed play (set group of individuals) Lisa had spoken to a person well versed with the excel program and was told that trying to rank individuals within a certain time frame was not possible. Using the new system for a closed ladder play is much easier and anyone can learn the system.

Annie Powers was our winner with the most wins at court 1. The feedback from all the ladies was positive and each one would like to continue the ladder.

Clinics

We will be having a meeting on November 29th to plan out an annual calendar for the year 2023 to include all events put on by SOPA including the tournaments, clinics and social events.

Summer Classic Tournament

The tournament for 2023 will be held June 2,3 & 4. We discussed if it would be better for us to run the tournament ourselves instead of PIG. We need to start building committee's for the tournament. Chelsea to email DeAnn the list of committee members from this past tournament.

Board Positions

The current Core of the board is President (George), Vice President (DeAnn), Secretary (Nani) and Treasurer (Chelsea) We would like to add the following positions; Activities Director responsible for clinics, leagues and ladders, etc, Promotion Director responsible for membership and social events, Marketing Director responsible for raising funds and

getting sponsors. A few names were suggested. George to post the positions on the website and facebook.

Signage for Lithia and other locations

It was discussed again to get signage boards to put up at Lithia and other locations posting etiquette guidelines along with city guidelines.

Money Report

As of the end of September we have \$8,595.55 in the account. Chelsea says she cannot differentiate where the money is coming from as there are no details for each payment in the system. George and Chelsea to meet to further discuss.

Positions for Foundation

The foundation needs 1 more board member to be active. Currently George and Chelsea are on the board. It is unknown whether Chip Zundel is an active board member. Someone needs to reach out to Chip.

Ideas for New Courts

George and DeAnn had a meeting with Judy Duffy who is heading the project for Margaritaville to give her feedback about pickleball in the Medford area, possible set up for courts and resources she can reach out to.

Next meeting to be November 29th