

Highlands Pickleball Association
Board Meeting Minutes – February 5, 2023
Annual Meeting / Dinner

At 4:00 p.m. President Mike Cook called the meeting to order. All Board members were in attendance except Vice-President Tom Harris. There were 80 attendees, including the Board.

Mike Cook welcomed all new members and asked them to stand up and introduce themselves.

Mike Cook thanked all the HPA members who participated in the Senior Olympics held in January. There were 297 participants and many from the Highlands. Congratulations to our HPA members who placed. Mike then mentioned all the different committees in the HPA, and thanked all the volunteers who are involved in each one and their spouses.

Mike Cook announced that Mark Oswald is setting up meetings with contractors to come and look at the tennis court that will be converted to four pickleball courts.

Mike Cook then said we had a very special person that needed to be commended for all her hard work on the Court Reserve and Scheduling Committee. He escorted Gail Epperson to the front, where a throne was waiting, then gave her a scepter, a crown, and red cape then announced she was the “Queen of Pickleball”. Gail has gone beyond her duties on the Scheduling Committee, helping everyone having trouble scheduling courts, cancelling courts, and setting up groups, and answering any pickleball court reserve questions.

Bill Buell, HPA Treasurer then gave a report on the financial activity year to date. Our fees increased this year to \$25.00 (from \$15.00) due to the four new courts and occurring expenses anticipated. As of today’s date, the HPA has a balance of \$10,859 (see attached report).

Dave Epperson, Member at Large, recognized Bill Buell, who has been the HPA Treasurer for 3 terms (6 years) thanking him for his committed duties to the HPA and presented him with a gift certificate and card from the HPA Board.. Then Marissa Buell, Past President, thanked Bill for his continued support to the HPA Board. She then thanked JoAnn Jones, Secretary for her support for her two terms (4 years). Dave Epperson then presented JoAnn with a gift certificate and card from the HPA Board.

JoAnn Jones, Secretary, announced the two new Board openings and asked if there were any nominations for the Treasurer or Secretary positions. No nominations were received. JoAnn then announced that Lonnie Leiffer had volunteered to be the new HPA Treasurer and Daphne Hetherington volunteered to be the new HPA Secretary. There was a show of hands, and Lonnie and Daphne were congratulated and introduced as the new HPA Board members.

JoAnn Jones then presented Mike Cook, President with a gift. For the past year he has had a favorite saying and received a T-shirt saying "It's Just Pickleball". She then thanked Mike for his support and guidance over the past year.

Mike Cook then introduced Mike Cravens, the lead of the Scheduling Committee who talked about the Committee changes. Mike and Nancy Chaffee resigned from the Committee, leaving two vacancies. Previously the Committee voted and three new members, Laurie Grossmann, Kimberly Bowman and Michael Wood will be added to the Scheduling Committee.

Open Forum

Dave Epperson, Member at Large, announced the competitive groups now playing. Marissa Buell, Past President, said she has a "wish List" and would like the HOA to consider providing "softer surfaces" for the new additional four courts.

Mike Cook reminded the group that the HOA is having their Annual Board Meeting on Monday, February 6, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

There being no further discussions or actions, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

JoAnn Jones, HPA Secretary

Attachment