

Highlands Pickleball Association
Board Meeting Minutes May 9, 2023

At 4:00 p.m., President Mike Cook called the meeting to order. All Board members were in attendance. There were 31 attendees, including the Board members.

Mike Cook welcomed any new members, if any. No new members were in attendance.

AGENDA:

#1) New Courts Update: Nothing new to report since the last meeting. Mark Oswald is still working with the City of Marana for required permits and working with 3 contractors for finalizing the bids.

#2) Review of Summer Schedule: As of date of meeting, summer schedule is in place and for the present, no issues or problems with the now existing summer schedule.

#3) Reminders of Group Leaders' "DO'S and DON'T S: Group leaders should familiarize themselves of their responsibilities. No Group Leader should sign up any players for their groups. Summer session should work out fine. Group Leaders should email and affirm to the Scheduling Committee Chair and confirm that they have read the "DO'S & DON'TS and will be comply with them. Do's and Don'ts are basic in nature.

#4) Summer Activities: The Social Committee will set up and keep the members informed of the upcoming 4th of July event. Mike approved a budget of \$100.00 for the Committee for orange juice and other necessities for this event. This event will be an opportunity to enjoy and socialize with our members.

#5) Update on Competition Committee and call for Volunteers to serve on Committee: Mike addressed this new committee to be established when the new courts are completed/available. Mike asked for members who wish to serve on this committee to make themselves known for consideration. Mike also addressed that this committee will reach out to other communities to bring them into The Highlands and view our amenities and the fun we all share here. Helen Yarmoska informed the attendees that De Hamann was asked to help with this and Jerry Davis is also on the list for competition information. Gary Thalman has initiated looking into a competition group and is currently working on putting this in motion.

In addition, the subject of a "Continuation Committee" was addressed and discussed. This committee would concentrate on more teaching and drills/skills classes. The need for more qualified players who know the game was addressed and the need for new blood in the community to help and assist with new members who want to learn to play the game of pickleball.

OPEN FORUM:

Dave Epperson, Member at Large, brought up a suggestion that the screens on courts 2 & 3 should be upgraded and putting something up for noise mitigation.

Perry Frahm complimented the HPA and its continuous efforts of listening to its members and reminded us all to respect each other and that of each other's opinions. Perry stated that success of the HPA is listening to its members. Mike agreed that members' input is important and will be received appreciably.

Mike again reminded the attendees that there are three vacancies opening up for the new 2024 Board and asked that members consider the possibility of running and bringing new blood into our organization.

It was also suggested that the names of the members of the 2 new committees, the Social Committee and the Scheduling Committee, created last year, be published on the HPA website and on our Facebook page.

Mike announced there will be no monthly meeting in June or August.

There being no further discussions or actions, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Daphne Hetherington
HPA Secretary