

MLPC Board Meeting Minutes

2024-01-02 at 2pm

849 Lyon's Ct

Present: Mike, Tony, Karen, Fred, Katie, Roy, Debbie, Colette, guest John Boag

1- **Board Replacement – Mike**

Mike introduced John Boag who would assume the responsibilities of Training and Player Development in the event that Katie should resign.

2- **Treasurer's Report – Fred**

(see attached copy). Roy moved to accept the report. Seconded by Debbie. ACCEPTED.

3- **Job Description Approval – Fred**

Director Roles and Responsibilities (see attached copy). There was a discussion about creating a Communication Committee to be overseen by the Secretary. Fred made a motion to accept the Job Descriptions as is, and to tweak as necessary later. Seconded by Roy. ACCEPTED.

4- **VP Presentation – Karen**

Membership update – 273 active members of which 213 have a yearly membership

Paddle Stacking – Karen presented the options and suggested having separate systems for courts 1&2 and 3&4. We would need to develop a fair rotation (<7 players waiting and >7 players waiting) and train people using our **Court Ambassadors**. This needs to be discussed further and involve members openly. Karen will contact Ed Hopkins to design a stand for the paddle stackers and perhaps have them built by Ted Beeby or Wendy Muzkia. Mike made a motion to purchase the paddle stackers, seconded by Debbie. ACCEPTED.

Beautification Committee/Budget – Karen's committee suggested buying 3 more tables and 3 more benches as well as 2 (6x8) sheds, a small gate between courts 3&4, a safety rail around the cement pad to prevent falls, a message board (designed by Anne-Marie Hopkins), hitching post for bags, numbers for Courts and shades to cover the cemented area. Cost of app. \$15,000. The committee also suggested cement stain. Karen will contact Mike Risaliti for information regarding staining.

Mike was concerned that we needed more storage, perhaps a more permanent structure, built by the woodworkers. To be discussed later since this cannot be installed before the concrete is poured. Karen will follow up. Mike also spoke to Mitch about ensuring the concrete is at the same level as the courts. Mike will also confirm with Mitch how much the ML Corporation will contribute towards the cost of the shades. Katie made a motion to proceed with the purchase of tables and benches, gate and numbers. Seconded by Roy. ACCEPTED

5- **Notification Process – Mike**

Karen presented a schematic of different Events/Activities needing announcements by different means and addressing members-only or at large: email blast, MLPC Website, Leaf, Facebook... John suggested sending a weekly email blast with the highlights of the week. Roy said he would

send out the court schedule for the week as an email blast and post it on FB. Debbie will help with FB.

6- Court Scheduling for 2024 – Roy

Roy thanked Karen for finding Martin Gray who is now helping Roy with modifications to the Website and Ladders posts.

Tournaments:

Tom is organizing Fun Tournaments every second Tuesday;

Feb 13th - Divorce Court;

Feb 22 – Pro Exhibition Match 3-6pm. Karen suggested passing the hat as a fundraising activity. Perhaps a “pay-to-play with a pro” as another fundraising possibility? Open Mic to ask pros questions? Raffle?

Feb 23 – Feb 25 Club Championship. Players to register on Court Reserve. Roy made a suggestion to include a Mixed category and to combine Int- and Novice since there are so few players.

Open Courts- Open Play on Christmas Day and New Year’s Day were a great success which prompted a discussion about offering Open Play every Sunday in March from 7:30 to 3pm. This will be posted in the Accents and the Leaf as well as the club’s website.

Woodworking Donation- since Dave Reusing has often volunteered his services and material to help our Club, Mike suggested making a \$75 donation to the ML Woodworkers Club for use of their equipment. All agreed.

Court Maintenance- some low maintenance items need to be addressed at the Courts, such as pulling weeds around the edge, squeegee the courts after rain, lift and re-tie curtains that have fallen... Roy will send an email blast asking for Volunteers or people willing to be called when needed. We would need a summer team and a winter team.

7- LOGOS- COLETTE

The Board chose 2 of 4 possible logos that Deb Conte had obtained and which the Club owns. Debbie will contact Anne-Marie Hopkins and Deb Conte to procure the originals and confirm our permission to make changes. Katie will conduct a survey among the members to make a final choice for our Club Logo.

8- Social Committee Report – Deb

Poker Run is set for Jan 13th. Includes a pizza party at the Charlotte Centre afterwards.

Future Events – looking into a Murder Mystery evening

Christmas Decorating in the CC – Tom Hewitt is asking for volunteers to decorate the CC. Deb is waiting for a follow-up call from him.

Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, Feb 6th at 2pm.

Meeting adjourned at 5pm. (Oops! No motion and no seconder?)