

Keowee Key Pickleball Club Board Minutes

Wednesday, January 3, 2024

Lakeview Room

Present: Cindy Fisher, Debbie Lantz, A.J. Koontz, Leslie Walker, John Walker, Tom Beck, JJ Jacobs, Tom Donegan, Scott Lincoln, Larry Vander Roest, Kim Shoulars, Jim Weinstein, Chris Durick.

Cindy called the meeting to order at 4:30.

December 2023 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Finance

The budget spreadsheets were sent to each Board member. As we end the second quarter, we are favorable to budget. There were no questions about the report. A check to charity has been submitted in honor of Joe Brooks.

B. Social

Pending Pickleball committee approval, the following are tentative dates for 2024 Social events: (8 courts requested, 4-8 PM)

St. Patrick's Day celebration (Rowe hosts)	Sunday March 10
Membership Renewal	Saturday May 18
Halloween Social	Saturday October 26 (may change due to Clemson football schedule)
Holiday Party	Sunday December 1 (may change due to scheduling conflict)
Ladies Social	Wednesday February 28 4-6 PM (8 courts requested; may change depending on attendance)

C. Communications

Deadline for the Scuttlebutt article is January 12th.

The 1st Pickleball Club FRC e-blast promoting orientation sessions yielded a positive response of 15 attendees. Similar FRC distributed emails will be sent out each month we plan to have a pickleball orientation session. Tom Donegan will coordinate with Cindy M. to design graphic template. Since there is no orientation scheduled for January, the next eblast will advertise the February orientation (date TBD)

D. Competition

Pending approval of the Pickleball Committee, the following dates are requested:

Singles Tournament : January 27 1-5 pm (4 courts), No rain date

Whist Tournament: March 9 8 AM-8 PM (12 courts, rain date March 16)

Spring Tournament: June 8 8AM-8 PM (12 courts, rain date June 9)

Keowee Key Fall Classic date TBD pending Clemson football schedule

E. Interclub

Women's interclub survey has been completed, and results reviewed. Women's community representatives will be meeting soon to determine the Spring season schedule. KK is expected to field one advanced team, and one intermediate team, probably lasting 8 weeks.

Larry has met with Bryan and Committee representatives to provide guidelines for team formations and schedules. Hope to finalize and gain approval by February.

F. Liaison Report

Remote for timer/clock on courts 5-8 has been returned. Recommendation is that the timer be stored in a plastic container and kept in the deck box in the middle pavilion.

Clock in the upper pavilion has been repaired

G. Training

Franklin X-40 balls have been cracking easily and will be removed from use once new balls have arrived.

Jim W will order 100 Engage tour balls and 100 Selkirk balls, once they are back in stock. A sampling of other brands will be placed in the ball hopper for general use and feedback.

New ball tubes and rolling carts have been purchased and are in use.

Next Player Development session is January 17

Larry recommends the use of a consistent ball type especially during competition/interclub/ ladder play

New/old business:

Deb L will be liaison to new members; **Tom will copy Deb when new member welcome letter is sent.** The letter will need slight revisions for 2024.

Board members should send Draft Goals for 2024 to Cindy prior to the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm

Next meeting scheduled on February 5th at 4:30pm

Action items are highlighted in yellow

Respectfully Submitted,
Leslie Walker, Secretary