

Keowee Key Pickleball Club Board Minutes – Final draft

Monday, March 2nd, 2026

Lakeview Room

Present: Charlie Beagan, Tom Donegan, Susan Brennan, Deb Higdon, Chuck Howard, Dave Higdon, Leslie Walker, John Walker, Kim Shoulars, Tom Beck, Samatha Holt, Jaye Melanson, Jon Goyert, Karen Daniels, Vicki Enos, Larry VanderRoest, and Daniel Shidler.

-Via telephone: Jim Weinstein

Not attending: Tony Bonitati

JJ Health Update: Leslie & John provided an update regarding JJ's procedure. It was all positive news. Updates are being shared via [CaringBridge.org](https://www.caringbridge.org) to reduce communication burden on Barb.

Email Communications: Charlie provided clarification regarding email communications on board topics. Emails should not be used for voting on board issues. Voting should occur at board meetings.

Equipment:

- Jim proposed:
 - o FRC maintains the supply of balls in the black rolling carts that are stored in the court side boxes (court 3 and 7) ~\$600/yr cost. Also, the FRC maintains supply of balls for the ball machine ~\$300/yr cost.
 - o The PB club maintains the supply of balls in the green rolling carts for the upper and lower courts.
- Daniel supported the proposal – he will follow up on verification of available of FRC funds.
- **Susan will** place signage on the green bins indicating: "Balls provided by the PB club." The sign will include a QR link to our club web site.
- **Jim will** remove the cold weather lifetime balls out of the bins & save for reuse.
- **Chuck will** add a recent delivery of new balls to the green bins.
- **Daniel will** ask operations team to cut down bushes to improve access for ball retrieval.

Player Development (Training): Jon & Karen communicated plans for Player development every 3rd Wednesday 10am-12pm. 4 courts. Open to all skill levels - focus on beginner/low intermediate; advanced players to volunteer as facilitators.

Jon & Karen will provide Tom D with a written description of the plans for PB club and Scuttlebutt communications.

PB Orientation: Scheduled for every 2nd Wednesday, 4-5pm. FRC (Cindy) will manage sign up process and RSVP's; she will provide names to John Walker for PB club registration follow up.

Love to Dink Tournament Recap:

- Raised ~\$5,000
- Motion passed to donate \$1,317.65 to Adaptive Pickleball
- Maria Karol took photos - to be shared with Tom D.

Daniel's meet and greet event: March 7th

- PB club contribution \$500 to help cover food & drink
- FRC providing alcohol
- **Need volunteers needed staff membership table...** (4-7pm) Collect contact information from people showing interest in the club. Handout March Madness event flyers.

March Madness Tournament: March 21st (rain date March 22nd).

- Chuck presented bracket posters; formatted to provide 2 game minimum for participants. Goal: 64 player participants. Brackets predicting winners to be submitted for \$5.
- **Tom D will** send Friday Flyer writeup to Cindy for her to broadcast.
- Samatha is organizing Food & Beverages: Sub sandwich, chips, beer, wine, water. Budget for this event ~\$1100. Chuck said more funds possibly available from tournament funds account. Charlie estimating 100 people attending the event.
- **Volunteers needed** for Bracket collection, Setup/Cleanup (several people indicated plans to help)
- Charlie encouraged all board members to attend this event and all events this year.

Keowee Key Classic tournament: October 9th & 10th

- Board majority voted to not have a charity donation tied to this year's event

Dink for Pink event:

- Women's social fund raiser - Date set for Thursday, October 15th
- Will likely need all 8 courts

Competition committee: Chuck reported plans for the competition committee to meet monthly. Agenda will be issued one week prior to the mtg. All board members are welcome to attend and/or submit input prior to the meeting. Whenever possible, decisions will be finalized at the committee level to prevent rehashing at board meetings.

Financials: Tom D stated requirement to utilize recommended form to trigger distribution of funds.

Google Drive: Charlie stated that he will demonstrate google drive features at next month's board meeting.

Next meeting: April 6th, 2026, 4:30pm, Lakeview Room (Day after Easter)