



MINUTES OF A BOARD MEETING

Cochrane Toyota, Cochrane Alberta

Tuesday, June 20 2023 | 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Members present

- ❖ Greg Young, President
- ❖ Bill Cooper, Vice President
- ❖ Bob Marescaux, Treasurer
- ❖ Lorraine Makowecki , MAL
- ❖ Les Franke, MAL

Members absent

- ❖ Joanne Ferster, Secretary
- ❖ Krissy Thompson, MAL

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Greg Young

SECONDED

MINUTES of the previous Meeting Approved

MOTION TO APPROVE: Les Franke

SECONDED

ABSTAIN FROM VOTE: Bob Marescaux and Lorraine Makowecki due to absence.



AGENDA

The following Modifications were added to the agenda:

- ❖ Refund Policy. Role of the Round Robin Captains. Future of DUPR in the CPC. Treasurer's Report.

MOTION to Approve: Lorraine Makowecki

SECONDED.

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

CUC (Court Usage Committee)

- ❖ Discussion ensues regarding the number of people who should be on the CUC Committee. It is decided that in addition to Tony Van Son, and Greg Young, the following members should be added to this committee since they too require input into court usage and scheduling: Steve Katulka and Lorraine Makowecki.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE ADDITION OF STEVE KATULKA AND LORRAINE MAKOWECKI TO CUC:

Greg Young

SECONDED

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

- ❖ New Schedule
 - Discussion regarding the new schedule proposed at the Zoom Meeting held on June 19th, 2023 leads to the following:

MOTION to Approve the new schedule: Lorraine Makowecki.

SECONDED

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

- ❖ Lorraine proposed that perhaps the Club could entertain the idea of having Skill Rated Rec Play. This she describes a form of play that requires no commitment or sign up. Suggested by the others as a future survey question later in the season.



RATINGS

- ❖ Greg inquires as to how many of the CPC members are unrated. Les surmises that there are approximately 50 to date.
- ❖ Les explains that there are 249 members on the CPC Membership List. Up to the 16th of June, 2023, 41 Skill Ratings had been completed. 8 candidates were on the list awaiting assessment. Skill Ratings were progressing well with a few delays due to inclement weather. There are currently 193 Skill Rated Players in the CPC.
- ❖ In addition, Les is training 8 new raters toward sustainability of skill ratings in the Club.
- ❖ The current success rate is 50%. He further explains that players ask for Skill Assessments for Rating Change and/or feedback on their current skills. Therefore, he would like to introduce pre rating clinics to prepare candidates for rating. This would make the assessment itself more low risk. Perhaps this is a clinic that could be considered for next year.
- ❖ **Implementing New Policies Addressing both DUPR and Skill Ratings.**
 - Due to the nature of the DUPR rating which moves up and down we have players who were grandfathered into a Skill Level based on their DUPR rating which may have gone down below that level. When their rating remains down for a month Les has been offering them a Skill Rating to see if they are at the appropriate level of play. This approach has been working very well. Skill Rated players do not have to worry about their DUPR scores.
 - Lorraine has been monitoring DUPR play among the Round Robin players. Soliciting reports from the Round Robin Captains, Lorraine has discovered that the only Round Robin playing DUPR is the 2.5 Mixed Round Robin in which the numbers playing DUPR have significantly declined.
- ❖ **Round Robin Policy for Captains**
 - Since Round Robins are Skill Rated Events policy should be set as to how to fill or complete a Round Robin Court toward maintaining the strength of the event.
 - While reviewing this policy other items will be addressed: length of games, sign up policies, and late arrivals etc.
 - This policy will be set by the Board and given to the Captains and published on the CPC Website so that players will also know the protocols and understand that these are Board decisions and that Captains are following policy.



❖ Policy Regarding Number of Ratings Per Member Per Season

- Les proposes that the CPC allows no more than 2 ratings per Member per season with a period of at least one month in between.

❖ Policy Regarding Recognizing Other Club's Club Ratings

- All Clubs ratings are autonomous. Our club ratings are valid only in the CPC as in other Clubs.

MOTION made to accept the policies regarding number of ratings, and not recognizing other Club Ratings: Greg Young

SECONDED

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

- ❖ Ladder will continue as a DUPR event.

PLAYER DEVELOPMENT

- ❖ Tony Van Son to be reimbursed for purchasing spot markers for the CPC Skills and Drills Clinics.

MOTION made: Les Franke

SECONDED

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

- ❖ Although Tony has also purchased the enhanced version of Sign Up Genius the Board decides that it would be a good idea to further research the different levels of SUG before discussing whether to reimburse Tony yet.
- ❖ The first Skills and Drills Session was scheduled for June 20th, 2023 but was not held due to inclement weather.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

WEBSITE

- ❖ Bill reports that the website has been revamped a number of times and looks better than ever. He has researched several tools which can be used to determine whether the website is actually being used. He is convinced that people do not refer often enough to the website.



- ❖ He proposes that every time a policy is changed or a schedule is changed that Greg informs the membership that there is a change and refer the Membership to the website to see these changes.
- ❖ Greg would like to see the Lost and Found posted on the website. Lorraine agrees that the current process is cumbersome.
- ❖ Les would also like to know who currently has administrative access to the PC Website and suggests that Greg, Bill, Les, Joanne and Tony should have this access.

COURT USAGE EXPENSES

- ❖ Bill reviews the spread sheets that he uses to record court usage and explains the savings that have been made by deducting the hours that the courts have not been used due to rain.
- ❖ Bill will submit his report to the Town of Cochrane.
- ❖ Lorraine also has been recording court cancellations or availability made available to her by the Round Robin Captains.

MOTION is made to no longer solicit information on court usage from the Captains: Lorraine Makowecki

SECONDED

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

DUPR

- ❖ Bill states that if you are not keen on DUPR sessions then people lose interest. He proposes that if people are interested then perhaps they should consider booking time for DUPR play and paying a small fee.
- ❖ Les explains that although there are currently 185 players on the Cochrane Pickleball Club DUPR website. Of those 185 members 26 are not members of the Cochrane Pickleball Club. There are 29 players who do not actually play DUPR games (NR) and 77 players who have a "provisional" rating.



TREASURER'S REPORT

MOTION made to table Treasurer's Report until next meeting: Les Franke

SECONDED

AGREED UNANIMOUSLY

BUDGET

- ❖ Current Budget revised by Greg Young. Discussion ensues regarding expenses, income and protocols regarding banking.

TOURNAMENTS

- ❖ The Club Championship scheduled for the end of August, date to be determined, will be sponsored by a dentist who has asked to be the sole sponsor in return for covering all expenses for the tournament.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

- ❖ In Joanne's absence Les reports that Joanne has completed and submitted the application for the CFEP Large Funding Grant, including the letter from the MLA which she had been hoping to submit with the application.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 5:30 PM

Minutes Prepared by

Nikki Franke in Joanne Ferster's absence.






