

SIOUX FALLS AREA PICKLEBALL  
Board Meeting Minutes  
Monday May 13, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by President Bill Marlette.

The following board members were present: Bill Marlette, Carla Dedula, Kay Faber, Heather Sieve, Aaron Reiter. Absent: Skylar Versteeg, Monte Carda, Cole Angelo and David Flynt.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Last meeting's minutes were reviewed. **Following discussion, Heather Sieve motioned to approve the minutes. Aaron Reiter seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.**
- Financial statements were reviewed.

**ONGOING BUSINESS**

- Kay Faber provided an update on the *Tournament Committee*.
  - a. The Avera Indoor Tournament held April 5, 6, and 7 was a big success. There were 253 registrants from eight different states in 21 divisions, including two youth events.
  - b. Chick-fil-a is sponsoring the Avera Outdoor Tournament scheduled for June 28, 29, and 30. They are giving away a sandwich coupon to all registrants and providing 52 free meals (one per week) to each gold medal winner in the tournament. Registration will open soon. We will look into partnering with TeamMates Mentoring for a fundraiser for this event since we were not able to do it for the Avera Indoor Tournament.
  - c. The Fernson Tournament (Huether Match Pointe) will be August 16, 17, and 18.
  - d. The Pentagon Tournament will be October 18, 19 and 20.
- Carla Dedula provided an update on the *League Committee*.
  - a. We had 24 participants in mixed league and 24 participants in women's league in each of three sessions Sundays at Linwood this year. Carla has reserved Sundays from October through April for three sessions again beginning in the fall. Carla will look into the possibility of a midweek league.
  - b. There are currently leagues running at Huether Match Pointe and Remedy.
- Carla Dedula provided an update on the *Places to Play Committee*.
  - a. Carla has reserved Special Olympics for open play every Sunday from noon to 4:00 p.m. beginning in October and ending in April. The contract has not yet been signed.
  - b. Dann Ericson is in discussions with a facility on the west side of town that may have space for 11 indoor courts. He will know more in one month.
  - c. We need volunteers to make sure we have balls at Laurel Oaks, Menlo and Riverdale.

- Aaron Reiter provided an update on the *Membership/Engagement Committee*.
  1. New member lessons were held twice this spring at Linwood Church, accommodating 48 people. Lessons were also held for clients of one of our platinum sponsors, Cornerstone.
  2. The spring club picnic will be this Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at Riverdale Park.
- No update was provided on the *Communications Committee*.
  - a. Carla suggested we do a “Volunteer of the Month” spotlight in our newsletter and Facebook page to honor our volunteers.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Bill Marlette updated the board on efforts to locate additional court space.
- Bill Marlette will contact the City about the deterioration of nets at Riverdale and structural integrity of the fence at Riverdale for accommodating wind screens.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for August 13, 2024.

#### **MEETING ADJOURNED**

The meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Carla Dedula

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Carla Dedula  
SFAPA Secretary