



Board Meeting Minutes
Mon., February 8, 2021
Via Zoom online

In attendance (18): Hannah Barnes, Janie Bean, Ellana Bessen, Jennifer Bray, Jane Bruning, Lori Cook, Shannon Cooper, Leslie Fowler, Kimberly French, Darci Gressick, Jennifer Goselin, Jennifer Kline, Cammie O'Connell, Jennifer Reeder, Alison Scott, Laura Smith, Deb Thornton, Kristy Warstler, Ramona Watkins, Cynthia Vogt

The meeting was called to order by President Laura Smith at 5:02 p.m.

Ramona Watkins motioned to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Deb Thornton seconded. Motion approved.

Data Administrator - Dawn Clover:

Dawn Clover was not present but Laura Smith said she is working to get more information about getting tennispoint.com for River City scheduling in the future. Dawn has submitted her time chart to the board with the hours worked on data administration for the season.

Vice President Kristie Jordan has been asked to help Dawn with the transition to the new computer system which will replace TopDog.

Financial Report - Cynthia Vogt :

Cynthia shared the monthly financial statement (attached) and the year on year budget update.

Profit and Loss (7/20 -2/6): \$16,210.31

Balance Sheet (As of Feb. 6, 2021) Total Liabilities and Equity: \$45,511.59

Cynthia has submitted the 10-99 for the data administrator.

Cynthia also is checking with the board insurance to see if the waiver players sign needs additional generic pandemic language.

A couple of donation requests were received in the mail. A decision was made to table those requests until better guidelines for donations are established.

Vice President - Kristie Jordan:

Laura Smith reported for Kristie. The RCRL annual event was canceled due to COVID, and awards for the year also have been canceled due COVID. The decision to not present division awards is based on the fact that COVID has affected teams in a way that makes it difficult to

say who clear winners are. Some teams ceased playing or have had players out due to quarantining or fear of exposure.

Directors Reports:

A1- Ramona Watkins- Ramona reported there was a misunderstanding of the rules, and a player registered who was not yet 21. Players must be 21 during the season in order to be eligible for league play.

A2 - Hannah Barnes - One team added a player.

A3 - Jennifer Reeder - A reminder has been sent to teams about being prompt for warm-ups.

B1 - Cammie O'Connell - Nothing to report.

B2 - Darci Gressick - One team has chosen not to play for the remainder of the season.

B3 - Shannon Cooper - One team has not been playing but may continue in March.

Masters 1- Janie Bean - One player added.

MidMasters - Kimberly French - Nothing to report.

Masters 2 - Deb Thornton - Nothing to report.

President Elect/Secretary - Lori Cook

Lori reported that the Rules committee met on Jan. 13 and discussed clarifying language regarding how many teams for which a player may register. Minutes Attached. Language will be presented and read again at the March meeting for approval.

A weekly rules review blast is going out to members to help keep rules fresh.

The Grievance Committee has not had to meet this season.

Past President- Leslie Fowler

Leslie suggested that Kristie Jordan may want to work on revamping the incentive awards attempted prior to COVID. These were awards for such things as teams with the best sportsmanship, most hospitality, etc. Being a social league, this helps return to the more fun element instead of just being competitive.

Leslie said the Nominating Committee is working to fill spots for next season. Some divisions still do not have nominees for division co-directors. The spot is a two-year commitment. The slate of nominees will be presented later in the spring.

President - Laura Smith

Meeting minutes and a fluid COVID statement have been added to the RCRL home page, Laura said.

Due to inconsistencies in the season, teams will remain at status quo going into next season. Meaning there will not be movement between divisions based upon division statistics, Laura said.

As the weather is bad the league normally would have had cancellations based upon the JCPS snow schedule. However, teams should work with their opponents on days when weather conditions are inclement to determine whether matches will be played. Laura said matches canceled because of weather will not be rescheduled and should be removed from the schedule.

She stressed that captains need to let the clubs know ASAP if a decision not to play has been made.

Laura reminded everyone to try to be flexible and continue good sportsmanship through these changes. Division directors have been reminded to review with captains the scoring for forfeits and retirements.

RCRL continues to support the clubs in their effort to follow local and state mandates regarding masks and distancing. Laura reminded everyone these are not RCRL established rules.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:02 p.m.