

PAO Board Meeting Minutes
Held in Waterloo at 9.30am April 27, 2015

AHBM Systems, #3, 584 Colby Drive, Waterloo N2V 1A2

1. Called to Order 9.45am

In Attendance: B Doughty - President J Sikorski - Treasurer
 P Singleton - Director-at-large P Archambault – Vice President
 B Cook-Abbott- Secretary

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting – Motion by B Doughty, seconded J Sikorski that the minutes of Mar 23, 2015 be accepted as written – approved.

3. Business Arising

None

4. President's Report – covered via other agenda items

5. Treasurer's Report

Financial report filed.

ACTION: Operating budget for 2016 to be established at next meeting

6. Committee Reports

6.1. 2015 PAO tournament

Expenditure plan presented and reviewed

ACTION: Budget to be finalized at May meeting

City of Waterloo has been approached for sponsorship by B Doughty and awaiting feedback

6.2. 2016 PAO tournament location

ACTION: raise priority of this activity BD/BCA

6.3. Membership Committee

149 registrations for 2015/16 received to date

It was agreed to modify our policy regarding registrations received later in year to be changed to \$15 to cover remainder of current membership year plus full membership for following year (versus \$5 for part year).

6.4. PAO Website renewal

Board members asked to provide feedback on draft site asap so that we can finalize initial release of new website well in advance of AGM

Motion made by B Cook-Abbott, seconded P Singleton requesting approval of up to \$200 per annum for maintenance of site (including hosting, domain naming, software, backup etc). It is likely that actual costs will be less than this amount.

6.5 Sponsorship

J Sikorski presented a document describing potential benefits to be derived by a sponsor and feedback will be incorporated.

7. PCO East Tournament Update

It was reported that registration is low for CPA tournament in KW. It was agreed that all PAO members would be emailed to remind them of this upcoming tournament.

8. Liability Insurance Update

J Sikorski highlighted feedback received from our insurers relating to insurance for Youth programs and coverage relating to Sexual Harassment.

ACTION: J Sikorski to investigate added cost for coverage for Sexual Harassment issues. Motion by B Cook-Abbott, seconded Peter Singleton, that “updates to PAO Policy Manual relating to the above insurance related items (as documented including Places to Play procedures)” be accepted were approved.

9. Other Strategic Priorities

Motion made by B Cook-Abbott, seconded B Doughty “PAO will no longer separately update the USA pickleball association site but instead offer USA site a link to our Places to Play information” Carried.

ACTION: BCA to contact both USA and CPA to inform them.

ACTION: B Doughty to review draft Ambassador program material.

10. New Business

10.1 Advertizing of Pickleball Tournaments

Discussion relating to policy for advertizing club tournaments.

It was agreed that PAO would advertize all pickleball tournaments where information was provided in a timely fashion on both the website and in newsletters

In addition the Board would consider on an individual basis special mail blasts for individual tournaments (especially for all-PAO member clubs).

10.2. Finding partners for Tournaments

PAO had been approached asking if they could provide a “Find a partner service” for tournament play. It was agreed that the individual tournament organizers were in a better position to offer this service as some tournament software/application forms already accommodate this. In addition the blog feature on the new site provided another option plus it was agreed that if a FACEBOOK page was created for Ontario Pickleball which also included the PAO logo then folks could use this as a further alternative.

ACTION: BCA to investigate use of existing Ontario Pickleball facebook site (with PAO logo added) and link to via PAO website.

Next Meeting rescheduled to May 25 at 9.30am in Waterloo

Motion to adjourn at 11.30 made by P Archambault, seconded P Singleton - Carried