

KELOWNA BADMINTON CLUB

Executive Meeting – Jan 25, 2021 - via Google Meet

Present: Lyndsay Thomson, Martin Weilmeier, Colin Comfort, Karen Quigley, Donna Campbell, Harpreet Sidhu & Steve Atherton

Regrets: Padraig MacRoibeaird (Paddy), Mike Christian, Andy Galloway, Linda Estabrooks

Martin called this meeting to order at 7:35 pm after all had signed in.

Lyndsay offered to pick up some meals to take to Mike as he deals with recent health issues. We wish him all our best as he goes thru this.

Approval of Minutes of Nov. Meeting:

Approval of Agenda:

Membership Update: Colin

Renew, new, totals

Adult 152, 124=276

Student 14, 21=35

Jr 47, 32=79

Restricted 13, 27=40

Total 226, 204 =430

Colin has had questions about how new members can connect with others to get games in. Steve is exploring ideas for connecting on line, maybe with a Facebook group or something similar to invite players to connect. Steve will keep us informed as to progress on this.

Financial Update: Karen

Karen provided a Comparative Income Statement and answered questions some had as to various entries. Paddy continues to work on finding the best way to break down the many categories and Karen will ask him about some of the queries raised.

Karen gave us an update on the application for sports funding. Our application has been denied at this time but will be kept on file for future consideration.

Junior programs: Lyndsay & Harpreet

The new junior programs begin Feb 1 with 13 weeks planned. With the loss of TK it has been a struggle to fill the coaching sessions. Mat & Chen are doing a great job & Emily has now been brought on board as an assistant, which is super for the program.

Covid Update: Martin has been in touch with Linda regarding this & she has been pleased with how things are going during play at the club, with protocols being followed very well. Lydsay will be reviewing protocols with the coaches this week end.

Guests/Prospective members: Linda let Martin know she has had requests for guests to be allowed but we plan to continue for now with the no guest policy, unfortunately. If someone requests play time, they must take out a membership, even if they plan to be available for a short period of time. A refund for the balance of year can be arranged if requested. Lyndsay wondered if maybe someone wanting to just check out the club might be able to contact a board member to meet them at the club at a suitable time for a 20 minute tour & explanation of what we offer. Steve offered to take this on if permitted. It would have to be a time when few others are in the club. This idea was mulled over but no decision was made.

Kelowna Sports Hero Award - Pacific Sports: Martin let us know our club has been awarded the Sports Organization award this year & a reporter has requested an interview with someone from the club & some details so it was suggested that this reporter be contacted to meet either Martin &/or Lyndsay at the club, maybe Thursday evening, to conduct the interview & get some footage of players in action. It was also suggested that film of the little ones playing as well as the seniors playing might add some dimension to the overall picture for others of just what our club offers. Martin & Lyndsay & Steve will work on this.

Homeless Shelter at Tree Brewing across the street: We hope this new facility will be well monitored and have little impact on our club but a note will be sent out to the membership advising them to ensure vehicles & doors are kept secure and that valuable aren't in view in their vehicles. Lyndsay had a concern regarding the juniors exiting the building through the Richter St., doors as has been the practice. Karen wondered about the option of using the doors at the bottom of the stairs in the locker room instead. This idea was well received but we would first need to ensure these doors close properly as there was a question raised about that. Also, the option of better lighting in that area as well as adequate camera coverage needs to be assessed. This is something we hope can be resolved quickly as the shelter was opening today, Jan. 25.

Skedda - Court Bookings: The recent changes have been well received and things seem to be going well.

Net Update: The net poles that were a problem have now been secured and others will be done as soon as Andy & Tyler can get to them.

Next Meeting: Monday, Feb. 22/21 at 7:30 - Google Meet format.

8:54 meeting adjourned

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