

# KELOWNA BADMINTON CLUB

## Executive Meeting – Feb 22, 2021 - via Google Meet

**Present:** Lyndsay Thomson, Martin Weilmeier, Colin Comfort, Karen Quigley, Donna Campbell, Linda Estabrooks & Steve Atherton

**Regrets:** Pdraig MacRoibeaird (Paddy), Mike Christian, Andy Galloway, Harpreet sidhu

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

Minutes of January Meeting approved

Agenda approved

## Membership Report as of 20 Feb 2021 - Colin

FEB2021	RENEWED	NEW Member	TOTAL
Adult	153	129	282
Adult Student	14	21	35
Junior	47	39	86
Restricted	14	30	44
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Colin asked how our membership at this time compares to last year - new membership has increased by 50 %.

## Financial Update: Karen

Karen provided the financial statements to date & answered questions about several entries. Unfortunately Paddy was not able to join the meeting himself tonight.

Refunds: Martin provided a handy table indicating what refunds members can expect at each month. This will make calculations a bit more simple for Colin.

## Junior programs: Lyndsay

The programs were adjusted to place players in categories with others within their ability range and that seems to be working out very well. This meant also having to adjust play times to accommodate going from 2 to 3 groups and there have been some issues regarding the required

change in scheduling times so groups playing directly after these sessions have now had to book a half hour later to give time for juniors to exit before others enter the building. Linda has been diligent in monitoring who plays when & when players arrive & exit & has seen overlap that we need to minimize. Linda has dealt with complaints about start times and has managed to tactfully let other players know that during these difficult times we all must expect some changes in order to make the best use of our club. Her efforts in this regard are most appreciated.

Junior sessions are now all 1 hour each. Chen & Emily appear to be doing a superb job and the young players are enjoying themselves while learning. Emily was hired as an assistant so currently there are no volunteers to help out.

### **Potential Public Health Order changes:**

Martin brought this up as something to think about to plan ahead.

#### **A. What to do if restrictions increase:**

- we would have to close as we can't really see that we can make further adjustments.

- we closed last March for 3 months so we'd follow the same procedures as then: communicate to members to let them know when closure would take place, lock out cards at that point and initiate a schedule for having the club building checks done. The cleaning staff would be notified that services are not required.

#### **B. What if restrictions ease:**

- it is possible we could see more demand than previously considering the increase in new membership. Doubles could once again be allowed.

- we can consider this as an opportunity to restart the club anew, with a more robust scheduling system that includes options for registering members and allowing for members to communicate with others to arrange court times. This would be quite different from how the club has operated in the past.

- Lyndsay wondered about surveying members to seek their input going forward. Karen asked if there is an option to demo possible programs that would serve our purposes. Martin will look into this and see if we can organize a demo for the executive to check out. Any changes would have to be brought to the AGM for approval.

### **Website & Facebook:**

Steve has been doing a great job of keeping our website updated and we hope with this that members will go there for general information and changes. Steve has also set up a Facebook group for members to join in order to connect with others to book play times. These will help us provide better connections with our members.

**Sports Hero Awards - Pacific Sport**

Martin met with a representative to do an interview regarding what our club provides and some photos were taken. The awards take place March 1-5. Martin will ask Mike if he has more information on this.

**Financial Session - Pacific Sport**

Karen kindly attended a session regarding assistance organizations may apply for and found it to be possibly something KBC could take advantage of. Karen explained that there are various resources offered, including grants and coaches through their interim program. Lyndsay will check further into the process as she is familiar with those involved in Pacific Sports. We look forward to learning more.

**Next Meeting:** Monday, March 29, 2021 at 7:30 - Google Meet format.

9:30 p.m. meeting adjourned

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