

June 7th, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes

The Board of Directors met on May 3rd, at approximately 6pm. Board Members Jackson McDonald, Nikki Bisconer, Julie Fraser, Bill Henderson, and Lawrence Frampton were in attendance. President Tammy Culbertson, Vice President Suzanne Mackey and Treasurer Sue Leger were in attendance as well.

The board discussed the following items:

Tournament P&P, Bracketing P&P, Calcutta P&P, Tournament Director P&P:

We made some minor grammatical fixes to the documents Bill provided and we had an in-depth discussion about who should make the decision for players who receive a free entry into an event because of an emergency situation as well as what items will be considered as an emergency situation. The Board and Leadership determined that it would be in the best interest of the Association to have the President make the decision and inform the Board of Directors of the decision that was made so that there would be some oversight for the free entries.

We then discussed the requirements for Foreign Players and payouts. Sue provided her input as the Treasurer.

We discussed raffle procedures and who would authorize them at the event. It was determined that the Vendor Coordinator would be in charge of approving vendor raffles, and Julie reminded us that it is already in the Vendor Contract.

We discussed using "on break" cards for the tournament and it was determined that players taking a break will put the time and initial the scoresheet. Breaks are not to be used in excess and there are NO breaks during team events.

Next topic of discussion was either rack for yourself or opponent rack in 9 ball. After a lengthy discussion the Board of Directors and WBCA Leadership agreed that 9 ball should be rack for yourself, with the change that a 9 ball made on the break would be spotted and not count as a win. This item will be proposed to membership for final approval when the policy and procedure is complete.

Greens fees for players not participating in an event was discussed. The determination was the players not participating in the event will be charged \$10 per day, or \$50 for the entire week. Further information needs to be gathered to develop a procedure to make sure that our tournament provider has enough info to make sure that someone has paid their greens fees.

Player Appeals were discussed. We determined that decisions made by referees were final, however, appeals involving an eligible player or dress code violations were valid reasons to appeal a match/decision.

Bracketing policies and procedures were discussed. It was recommended that there is a policy that a player will not play a fellow league member in the first two rounds, unless it is impossible to do so. Also, we discussed making sure the date that Fargo is used to determine the singles division breakdowns was published with the divisional breakdown flyers.

Calcutta policies and procedures were discussed. The Leadership Team (BOD and Officers) will determine who the Calcutta Master of Ceremonies will be. The Calcutta list will be in alphabetical order.

League policies were the next item discussed. There were only a few grammar changes and it should be ready for a vote at the next board meeting so the team can put it on the agenda for membership approval.

The WBCA Leadership team discussed how we as a group could get out all the policies and procedures changes and recommendations to the League Operators, Player Reps, and Members at Large for

feedback and an effective way to receive their input. As a group we thought it would be a good idea to have the members provide feedback directly to the policies and procedures committee. More information sooner is our goal so that people are more informed prior to a meeting when they are voting on items.

The Board of Directors conducted their vote on the Board Chairperson. Lawrence Frampton was elected as the Board Chair. Votes were as follows:

Bill Henderson: Bill Henderson
Nikki Bisconer: Lawrence Frampton
Julie Fraser: Lawrence Frampton
Lawrence Frampton: Lawrence Frampton
Jackson McDonald: Lawrence Frampton

Committees were discussed next. The Board felt the need to ensure all committee chairs were renewed properly at a membership meeting. We also discussed the lawyers' input on committees and what types were legally allowed and how they should be formed. Tammy and Suzanne will work on committee chair assignments for the next meeting.

We discussed the quarterly membership meetings and that they should be set further in advance so membership has time to prepare and schedule for them, as well as having in-person meetings at different locations. The exception to this would be special meetings. Leadership discussed the need to fill the two Member at Large positions as well as the two Board of Directors seats sooner than later. The 30th of June was selected as the date for a special meeting to vote in those positions and to assign the committee chairs.

A non-profit consultant was discussed. During the meeting with the lawyer, she recommended seeking a consultation with a consultant. After a brief recap of emails from the consultant we determined that a consultant was not needed at this time.

The last item on the agenda was the tournament data being entered into Fargo. We all agreed that it needed to be done faster and that the people running our tournaments have all the data and can easily submit that data to Fargo.

The meeting concluded at approximately 9pm.