



## **Pickleball Saskatchewan Inc.**

**2020 Annual General Meeting**

**VIA ZOOM**

**October 28, 2020 – 7:00 PM**

### **Attendance**

**Directors (13):** President Janet Bradshaw, Vice President Margaret Hull, Treasurer Kim Robinson, Secretary Brenda Fry, Kent Archer, Doug Brown, Phil Greenwood, Sue Johnston, Scott Perkins, Mary Perrault, Scott Printz, Karen Rust, Gaye (Stu) Stewart

### **Members (27):**

Maria Alvarez, Michelle Askew, Marilyn Barrington, Ray Basler, Marcie Benson, David Butt, Cathy Cochrane, Randy Dove, Gil Etcheverry, Val Etcheverry, Noreen Hetherington, Fred Hettinga, Debbie Iwanchuk, Cintra Kanhai, Ruth Korchinski, Reg Lakness, Sue Lytle, Al Madeley, Mary Madeley, Ellen Manson, Vine Marissen, Sam McNaughton, Francis Mlilo, Adele Perrett, Deb Sluser, Robert Sluser, Glenn Stumborg

### **1.0 Welcome and Introduction**

President Janet Bradshaw called the meeting to order. The current Board of Directors was introduced and past directors were thanked.

### **2.0 Instructions for using Zoom format for motions and voting**

President Janet Bradshaw explained that the meeting would be recorded, that attendees should be muted and that the chat function would be used to make motions. Eligibility to vote was explained as well as quorum requirements.

### **3.0 Adoption of Agenda**

**Motion:** That the agenda for the 2020 Annual General meeting be adopted as presented.

*Sue Johnston/Kent Archer Carried*

### **4.0 Approval of 2019 AGM Minutes**

**Motion:** That the minutes of the 2019 Annual General Meeting be approved as presented.

*Gaye (Stu) Stewart/Ruth Korchinski Carried*

### **5.0 Business Arising from 2019 Minutes**

None noted

### **6.0 President's Report**

President Janet Bradshaw verbally highlighted her report for information (Appendix).

## 7.0 Fee Schedule for Members

**Motion:** That the fee schedule for joint membership to Pickleball Saskatchewan and Pickleball Canada remain at \$15 for 2020 – 2021.

*Gaye (Stu) Stewart/Francis Mlilo Carried*

## 8.0 Reviewer's Report of the Financial Statements for 2018 – 2019

Treasurer Kim Robinson highlighted the reviewer's report of the 2018 – 2019 financial statements. He noted that the membership approved the preliminary financial report for this period at the 2019 AGM as the final review had not yet been received. The Board then approved the final reviewed report from MNP whereupon it was filed with ISC.

**Motion:** That the 2018-2019 MNP review be approved as presented.

*Sue Johnston/Ruth Korchinski Carried*

## 8.1 Review of the Financial Statements for 2019 -2020

Treasurer Kim Robinson presented the reviewer's report of the 2019 – 2020 financial statements.

**Motion:** To approve the 2019 – 2020 review by MNP as presented.

*Ellen Manson/Scott Perkins Carried*

## 9.0 Appointment of Reviewer

**Motion:** That we appoint MNP LLP Chartered Professional Accounts to review Pickleball Saskatchewan Inc.'s financial statements for the 2020 – 2021 fiscal year.

*Gaye (Stu) Stewart/Kent Archer Carried*

## 10.0 Budget for 2020 – 2021

Karen Rust presented the budget for the 2020/2021 fiscal year - present (last year)

Net Revenue	\$3,350	(\$4,821)
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### Primary Contributors to Net Income:

Membership	\$10,100	(\$8,340)
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### Significant Expenditures

Training	\$5,000	(\$ 0)
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Club Startup	\$1,000	(\$ 225)
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Meetings	\$1,600	(\$1,698)
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### Sask Sport Operating Grant

Administration	\$4,100
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Capacity	3,000
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Interaction	2,400
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Participation	12,000
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Excellence	<u>3,500</u>
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	\$25,000
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Sask Sport MAP Funding - \$16,500

**Motion:** That the budget for 2020 – 2021 be approved as presented.

*Ruth Korchinski/Scott Perkins Carried*

#### **11.0 Presentation and adoption of bylaw amendments**

President Janet Bradshaw presented the proposed bylaw amendments and the rationale behind the amendments.

##### **Article 8.2**

###### **Current:**

Membership fees will be paid in full on or before October 15 of each year. Failure to do so will result in automatic suspension of the member.

###### **Amended:**

Membership fees for renewing members are to be paid in full on or before the membership expiry date. New members may join at any time of year by paying the annual membership fee.

###### **Rationale:**

This date is not consistent with the current practice of membership fees being collected by Pickleball Canada.

##### **Article 12.1.c**

###### **Current:**

A minimum of five Directors make quorum.

###### **Amended:**

Quorum will be based on the majority of Directors currently on the Board.

###### **Rationale:**

The number of directors was increased to 15 at the Oct. 2019 AGM, therefore, the quorum needs to be changed. This change now allows for possible vacancies on the Board when determining quorum.

##### **Article 13.2**

###### **Current:**

A committee of the Board prepares an annual budget and work plan for the Board to consider.

###### **Amended:**

The Finance Committee of the Board prepares an annual budget and work plan for the Board to consider.

###### **Rationale:**

This change recognizes that we now have a Finance committee. Delete the funding deadlines of sponsors as this is part of the work plan.

##### **New Article 12.3.i**

An Annual General Meeting of Members may be deemed by the Board of Directors to be held by means of teleconference, videoconference, or any other similar electronic communication facility that permits all participants to communicate adequately with each other during the meeting. A person so participating in a meeting is deemed to be present at the meeting according to Article 12.3.d.

###### **Rationale:**

The current bylaws do not state the means by which the AGM can be held. Because of COVID restrictions we need a bylaw that will allow us to use other means to communicate than the usual in person format.

**Motion:** That the proposed amendments to the Bylaws be adopted.

*Noreen Hetherington/Gil Etcheverry Carried*

## 12.0 Elections

President Janet Bradshaw explained that succession planning is in progress. Due to an oversight, the terms of the five directors who came on last year were not staggered. Elections will be back on track for 2021.

## 13. Moving forward

President Janet Bradshaw stated that moving forward, Pickleball Saskatchewan Inc. (PSI) will work towards achieving full sport status with Sask Sport. A three year strategic plan will be implemented and possibly a governance review. Pickleball Saskatchewan will continue to apply for grants to enhance website/communication platforms. PSI will continue to work with Pickleball Canada on implementing the Integrated Technology platform. Janet stated that a committee structure was put in place this year and requested assistance from members.

## 14. Adjournment

**Motion:** To adjourn the meeting.

*Scott Perkins/Mary Perrault*

## Appendix:

### President's Report

It is my pleasure to provide an update on the year's happening with Pickleball Saskatchewan. Our membership continues to grow as do the locations to play in the province.

We have put the following committees in place with the goal of providing structure for the work that needs to be done: Communication, Finance, Grants, Governance/Nominating, Membership, Officiating, Player Development and the Sask Sport committee. We have engaged non-Board members to serve on our committees who have expertise in a particular area. We are always looking for members to help with the workload.

Without a doubt the most exciting news this year was achieving Emerging Sport Status with Sask Sport. This is a testament to the groundwork that was laid by Board members in the recent past. It is a first but vital step to achieving full sport status that will benefit our membership.

Our newly formed Sask Sport Committee has been working with a consultant since April, devising and amending the requisite policies, budgets and meeting deadlines. Sincere thanks are in order to those individuals who put much of their summer aside to complete the necessary work in order to qualify for funding from Sask Sport. Our MAP policy will guide us in ways we can distribute these funds to clubs, new and established, rural and urban who meet our criteria. Each year we will have benchmarks to meet such as increase in membership, officials and coaches for continued funding from Sask Sport.

A new committee that has been very busy is the Officiating Committee. Under Karen Rust's guidance we have seen the numbers of certified officials increase within a short time.

Our ties with Pickleball Canada remain strong. You may have seen or participated in events that were profiled in our province by Pickleball Canada this summer.

The prairie representative position on the national Board has never been filled. By contacting our neighboring provinces we now have secured a seat at the table with Alberta taking the position for the first 2 years, followed by Saskatchewan, then Manitoba.

I have represented our province at the national level at ITAC (Interprovincial/ Territorial Advisory Committee) that meets on a regular basis. While we continue to grow provincially it is beneficial to learn what is taking place across the country as pickleball continues to explode in popularity.

I am especially proud of the way our members rallied to adhere to the restrictions that COVID-19 placed on play. Although it was disappointing to have our provincial tournament and the Western Regional tournament postponed, we look forward to these events in the 2021. Through innovation and perseverance outdoor play resumed throughout the province in the spring. We are now seeing the same for the indoor version.

Communication with our membership is paramount for our organization. A special thanks to Francis Mlilo for maintaining the website and Ruth Korchinski for maintaining the Facebook page. Many thanks go out to all our members, volunteers and Directors for all that you do to promote the sport.

Janet Bradshaw  
President, Pickleball Saskatchewan

