

**Athens Area Pickleball Association Minutes
Board Meeting, Monday, August 12, 2024
2:00pm Tennis Center**

Board Members present: Kevin McHugh, Cynthia Fortson, Vickie Edwards

Advisors present: Lilly Garrett, Pat Pino, Cynthia MacDonald

Absent: Andrew Baker, Brant Jones, Pam Benson, Sue Barber, Valerie Fagan, Joan Baird, Penny Adams,

Guests: Heather Jarboe is interested in being a board member. LeAnn Golob, & Justin Mercer are representing their Classic City Open tournament.

Minutes: July minutes approved.

Treasurer:

Vickie Edwards was not able to set up the account that gives us a better percentage rate on our savings because of illness and being out of town.

Board decided to wait until after the Annual Meeting that will take place September 15 when a new slate of board members will be voted on and new treasurer can open a new account for our savings.

Current checking: \$11,606

Current savings: \$36,620

New Boards members:

The board is working on getting commitments from people to be on the board for the next year. The slate of board members will be voted on at the Annual Meeting.

Equipment:

Leisure Services has been contacted to replace the window slide on the message board at Southeast Clarke Park. It has not been replaced yet.

Net sets will be replaced at these locations.

Athens First United Methodist Church

YWCO

Bishop Park

Pittard Park in Winterville:

Free lessons at Pittard Park went well on July 11, will do another session on Saturday, September 14 at 8:00am.

Facebook:

Cynthia MacDonald said she can put a tag on AAPA's Facebook page so people will know the inside locations are now available for open play.

Annual Meeting and Pot Luck Social:

Annual Meeting and pot luck will take place on Sunday, September 15 at Joan Baird's pole barn at 5:00pm.

Pat Pino needs volunteers to help set up at 4:00pm. Lilly Garrett, Cynthia MacDonald and Heather Jarboe volunteered to help.

Frank Thornton still needs to be contacted about the BBQ.

Lilly will send Pat last year's invitation and recap information so she will have an idea of how much to order.

Old Business:

Kevin McHugh said he is still checking out Spaldingpickleball.com and their website builder WildApricot.com. to see if it is something that will help us.

Tim Rogan will help with the QR code postcard to hand out to people to get information about Athens Area Pickleball Association.

Participation in the Christmas Parade and/or Wild Rumpus has been suggested and Cynthia Fortson will get more information.

New Business:

LeAnn Golob and Justin Mercer are putting on the Classic City Open Tournament that is taking place at Jennings Mill Country Club on September 21. They really want to see tournaments grow in Athens and would like our support. They presented a list of sponsorship levels - Bronze \$250, Silver \$500, Gold \$750, and Platinum \$1,500. Board decided to go with the Platinum level in support of pickleball in Athens since we as an organization are not able to put a tournament together at this time. Logo needs to be sent to Justin and LeAnn ASAP for advertising purposes.

Cynthia Fortson said Lay Park purchased barriers for the bleachers to keep balls from rolling under the bleachers.

Next board meeting will be Monday, September 9 at 2:00pm at the Tennis Center. No further business, meeting was adjourned at 3:15pm.