

## BOCCE BOARD MEETING APRIL 3, 2025

Meeting called to order by John Bowes at 1:00 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: John Bowes, Douglas McArthur, Edward Powderly and Dovie Jarnagin

Lynn Kaczmarczyk, our Treasurer, was not present but submitted a Treasury Report: At the time of meeting, we had 267 paid members. There is a net income of \$2,423.31. Total expenses for the year so far comes to \$246.69. These expenses are as follows: \$62.00 to Dan Weng, (reimbursement to John Bowes), reimbursement check to Sarah Brant in the amount of \$183.79 for the Lancaster Boys Lunch, .90 service charge. Total income \$2,423.31 with a cash balance of \$4,065.83.

Sarah Brant, (not present) Lancaster Children's Home Review: We had 11 girls and 9 boys that participated this year for a total cost of \$298.99.

Karen Lockett (not present) is in charge of Fun Bocce, played on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. We continue to have a good turnout for Fun Bocce.

Douglas McArthur is the leader for Fun Bocce on Thursday evenings at 6PM. There was a total of 9 people who showed up on the first night and 15 people on the second night. Douglas explained to any new members who came to participate about the Saturday Orientation play on the second Saturday of the month, in case they wanted to have a better understanding of the game.

Doug explained that the Front Desk will not schedule special play requested by the Pods or neighbors. These requests are sent to John Bowes and he will do all scheduling.

We discussed having one on one sessions with new players who have never played before.

We talked about ideas for Fun Bocce and the fact that 2 people can play as a team if not enough others are present on a particular day.

Ed Powderly showed us a new logo to advertise Bocce Club and a flyer, which he will put on the Buzz. This will also be on the revolving screens at the Lakehouse, located around the coffee service. He also suggested to give out Bocce Flyers at the Mix and Mingle groups to help with advertising. He also suggested that we ask the Ambassadors to show the bocce courts to new, perspective residents. If new people join, Ed will set up a time to teach them the game of Bocce.

Ed Powderly: Court Refurbishment. There may be some delay in the court refurbishment date at the end of April as had been planned, due to the unexpected illness of the company owner. This will still take place in the near future. There has been some delay in replacing the light on Court 4 due to the \$4,000 estimate given by an outside contractor

and the fact that a lift will be needed to change the light. It was suggested that we change all lights at the same time due to the cost. No decision was made on this suggestion at this time. We will try to have this work done by some other source to save on cost.

John Bowes will check steel works under canopies to see if work has been completed.

Ed Powderly – Membership is down from 355 last year to 267 presently in 2025. Spring league had 240 players in 2024 and 188 players in 2025. Ed thinks we have a problem and need to try and boost membership. He further stated we should try to find out why membership has dwindled.

John Bowes talked about losing teams in league play and how to change this. We have league time slots not being used. Six leagues are playing and we have room for eleven leagues.

Our next membership meeting will be on Wednesday, April 16, 1:00PM, Lodge room #1.

Fall Party on Saturday, November 15, 5:30 PM, doors open. Caterer still to be determined.

Meeting was adjourned by John Bowes at 2:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Dovie Jarnagin, Scribe