## Minutes of The Petawawa Badminton & Pickleball Club Executive Meeting Held at Kelsey's Restaurant, Petawawa Blvd. 26 March 2025

## IN ATTENDANCE

Ben Brown President
Paul Johns Secretary
Jude Alexander Treasurer

## Absent

Johns Glover Badminton Lead
Andy and Manuela Sarrazin Pickleball Co-Leads
Dana Lawson Communications

## **INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**

ITEM	DISCUSSION	SPEAKER
1.	Meeting was called to order at 21:30 hrs. The focus of this meeting was to discuss the upcoming 2025 Findlay/Wiser Cup Badminton Tournament and the proposal to PSP to add the Sports Complex, 30 Festubert Blvd gym to the club for morning play during the week.	Ben Brown
2.	<u>Previous meeting Minutes.</u> Motion was made by Ben Brown, and seconded by Paul Johns to accept the previous minutes. Motion carried.	
3.	Treasurer's Report. The current financial report was received by Ben Brown, and sent out to the other executive members by Jude Alexander. The current balance is \$10,181.92. The only significant expense so far this season was the purchase of 3 pickleball nets and 50 pickleballs. There will be expenses shortly as there is a need to purchase a gross of badminton shuttles and expenses from the upcoming Findlay/Wiser Cup Badminton Tournaments. Jude Alexander motioned that we adopt the treasurer's report. Seconded by Paul Johns. Carried.	
4.	OLD BUSINESS  a) Paul Johns motioned that a purchase of stand alone badminton poles for the Recplex be put on hold for the near future as DDH graciously allowed us to borrow 4 poles for the Recplex and these are deemed quite adequate. Thank you to the management at DDH. Motion seconded by all present. Motion carried.  b) Pickleball lines were installed using tape at South Side Community Centre. Thank you to Ben Brown, John and Louise Glover, Paul and Anne Johns and Dana Lawson for their time and efforts in putting down lines. The facility is being used regularly and the lines are holding up well, Wednesday evenings and Saturday afternoons. This additional facility is serving the growing pickleball community well with further significant growth expected for the next few years. Additionally, the badminton club has also expanded to using the Recplex for Monday and Wednesday evenings. Thank you to PSP and the staff of both facilities.  c) The combining of Pickleball and Badminton has worked out well streamlining the executive and budgeting of both as the same facilities and courts are used for both sports.	Ben Brown and all present  Ben Brown and Paul Johns

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	d) Ben Brown asked that the old business be accepted as read. Jude Alexander so motioned. Seconded by Paul Johns. Carried.	Jude Alexander and Paul Johns
5.	NEW BUSINESS.  a) The Badminton club is currently very low on nylon shuttles (enough for about 2 weeks). John Glover via verbal request motioned that we purchase a gross of shuttles ASAP. Motion seconded by Jude	John Glover and Jude Alexander
	Alexander. Carried b) The Club would like to thank DDH management for the donation of a gross of feather shuttles no longer needed by the facility. They will be put to good use to help competitive players practice for high performance tournaments. Sentiments expressed by all members of the club.	
	c) In discussions between Ben Brown and PSP it was suggested that the club propose to book the Recplex mornings, Monday to Friday, to help alleviate overcrowding that is beginning to occur at DDH. The messaging seemed to include DDH in this suggested proposal. The DDH part of the proposal was an error as no club is allowed to operate before 16:00 hours and so this part of the proposal will be dropped. It was also requested by PSP that we poll daytime players to see if the idea of having access to the Recplex in the morning would be a benefit. A survey/poll was conducted with 42 players contacted, 21 voted in favour of booking the Recplex for daytime play, 11 voted against and 10 did not respond. It was also recommended that we allow current PSP members to play without officially joining the club until their current PSP memberships expire (once a player renews they would then need to pay club fees to join to continue to use club time and equipment). This is to help expose players to a new facility and to encourage some to officially join the club in the future. It was also recommended that we extend a free lifetime membership to 5 long time players as Legacy Members (Tony Doucette, Dan McGean, Ron Behm, Ray Dumas and Dave Fisher). We recognize and respect the wisdom and cooperative spirit they bring to pickleball - they were pickleballers before pickleball was cool. Paul Johns motioned that we do the poll and move ahead to propose to PSP that either the club or PSP book the Recplex gym for daytime play Monday to Friday. Seconded by Jude Alexander. Carried	Paul Johns and Jude Alexander
	d) Ben Brown has pointed out that we are in need of 3 pickleball nets for the South Side Community Centre facility and if the request is accepted for the Recplex then we would need an additional 3 nets (total cost for 6 nets is about \$1200). Paul Johns motioned that we should order them as soon as our request is accepted. Seconded by Jude Alexander. Carried.	Paul Johns and Jude Alexander
	e) John Glover motioned that the club cover half the entrance fees for participants in the Findlay/Wiser Cup tournament ([12 players x \$30] / 2 = \$180). Motion seconded by Jude Alexander.	John Glover (intentions made know before he left for vacation) and Jude Alexander
6.	ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR.  None at the moment.	
7.	CLOSING REMARKS.  a) The next meeting should be held in early June 2025 after confirmation of the items suggested in the New Business section have been accepted or put into effect. b) The President thanked the members of the executive for their efforts	President
8.	and their continued support.  Meeting adjourned 22:30 hrs.	

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Ben Brown	Date April 2, 2025
President	
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Comments: make motions. Item 5c - PSP did not	dent making motions. Club has been reminded President cannot make recommendation to allow PSP members to play without mberships. Assumed to be recommended by other club members.
5e - I	Motion carried, not recorded.
Caeley Stevens Club Liaison	Date
Community Recreation Coordinator	
Comments:	
Brendan Cunliffe Manager Community Recreation	Date
RECOMMENDED/NOT RECOMMENDED	
Nathan Lane	Date
Senior PSP Manager	
APPROVED/NOT APPROVED	
LCol N.B. Forsyth Deputy Commander 4 CDSG	Date