## Lincoln Hills Water Volleyball Steering Committee Minutes October 12, 2021 | 4:00 PM

## **Orchard Creek Fine Arts Room**

## **Steering Committee Board Members Present:**

- Chairperson ~ Cindi Underwood
- Treasurer/Membership Chairperson ~ Mike Mosca
- Secretary ~ Colleen Mosca
- Email Coordinator ~ Ross Underwood
- Recreational Play Coordinator ~ Linda Swinton
- Training Administrator ~ Russ Palchak
- Mentor/Member Coordinator ~ Carol Critch
- Social Activities Coordinator ~ Scotty Humphrey
- Webmaster ~ Sidne George

## **Steering Committee Board Members Absent:**

- Communications Coordinator ~ vacant
- Equipment Manager ~ Gary Pfaff
- Competitive Play Coordinator ~ Eric Crisp

Guests: Kim Bovee

Sandy Manildi

At 4:00 PM, Cindi Underwood, Chairperson, called the meeting to order.

<u>Resolution:</u> Cindi brought up that one email resolution took place among the Steering Committee members since the September meeting. The resolution was passed that The November 18<sup>th</sup> tournament with WJU at 6:45 PM with our competitive players will take place. The details will be determined at a later date.

**Cindi** further stated that email resolutions need to be of an urgent nature only and be limited to subject matter that cannot wait until the next monthly meeting. The Steering Committee member is to run the idea past the Chairperson (Cindi) and getting her approval before sending it to the group as an urgent item to be dealt with.

**Cindi** then brought up the item regarding using regular membership dues to donate to William Jessup Volleyball team scholarship team. This was a resolution item that passed in September by our Steering Committee. However, before the minutes were published it

was decided to put a hold on this and bring the matter up again at the October meeting after a discussion could take place about how other clubs handle these matters. Cindi said Mike reported that the softball club specifically uses donations from members or holds specific fundraisers for this type of donation rather than using the general Softball member dues. Mike spoke w/ the treasurer of the LH Softball club about this subject. Also a new member in our club contacted Cindi directly via email and asked to remain anonymous while protesting this idea. The WVB club member's concern was that it was being given to a for profit university. Sidne opined that our club has a relationship w/ the girls' volleyball team at WJU and that we need to be careful not to time a donation with the receipt of free tickets to their games. Russ Palchak opined that using dues for specific donation that our club members did not vote on seems like a bad idea as they would not have been aware their money would be used for this type of thing. Scotty then suggested that we can have a fundraising effort and send emails to club members advertising our intention so that all would be aware of where their donation for a specific event would go to. Cindi did research whether donations to such causes from our clubs was against the rules and she learned from Shelvie and from the CCOC handbook that there is no rule about it. Nonetheless, it was decided that our club be transparent about any fundraising efforts. Carol Critch suggested \$5 cost to participate in the Competitive tournament in early November to be used to donate for WJU scholarship fund. Another option is to charge for members to watch the tournament who are not participating in it.

**Resolution**: Sidne moved to rescind the resolution that passed in our September 15<sup>th</sup> meeting concerning donating \$200 to the WJU Volleyball scholarship fund. Russ seconded. All were in favor to rescind.

**Sidne** suggested we create a scholarship fund separate from our general fund and from that fund, donations such as to the WJU Volleyball scholarship fund can be made.

**Resolution**: Sidne then moved to have specific fundraising events for creating a separate fund in our club from which to make community charitable donations. Scotty seconded. All were in favor.

Discussion of the RBC and L4 evaluation process. Cindi brought up the subject that some club members have complained that the Competitive Recreational Ball (CRB) evaluation process seems unfair and that there is a built in conflict of interest in that members of the CRB are deciding who will be promoted into the competitive recreational team. This contrasts with L4 candidates having L5s and L6s only deciding who can be promoted into L4 level. Scotty suggested that instead of the same 2 or 3 or so Competitive Recreational Ball Players serving as evaluators, that the duties be spread to other CRB team members of that level. It's been limited to those who serve on the Recreational Subcommittee apparently in addition to David Vaughan. Some L4 club members and recreational club members have complained who have tried out for CRB and have been rejected.

**Resolution**: It was brought up and agreed that until the CRB (Competitive Recreational Ball) team players reach the level of 22 on their team roster which currently has 17, that 2

competitive players (L4s, 5s or 6s) plus 1 CRB player make the decision on who is promoted into the CRB team level. Russ moved that 2 L4's, L5's or L6's in addition to 1 CRB player be the evaluators for Rec Comp candidates. Upon evaluating, majority rules in the decision. Linda seconded. All were in favor.

2021-2022 Steering Committee Positions and Election Review were discussed. Diane Ferrari has agreed to take on the Communication Coordinator role which has been vacant and will begin in January 2022. Gary Pfaff has decided to no longer serve as the Equipment Manager after December. Russ Palchak will step down from the Training Administrator position. Colleen Mosca (Secretary) and Michael Mosca (Treasurer/Membership Coordinator) will be finished after December as they are both termed out after serving 4 years in their positions.

**Club attire revision discussion and vote**. The club attire documents were discussed. **Scotty** revised the document with suggested language. After discussion, it was agreed to adopt part of what Scotty suggested as follows:

<u>Resolution</u>: This is NOT the venue to wear revealing swimsuits, or shirts with inappropriate sayings/language etc. Scotty moved and Carol seconded. All voted in favor except Mike Mosca and Ross Underwood.

**Equipment Complaint** from resident and proposed solution by Ross Underwood: Ross presented the problem that a resident of our community has complained to the Executive Director and the BOD that our equipment in both Kilaga lodge and Orchard Creek lodge is an eyesore. Cindi and Ross will meet with Debra and possibly the Interim Exec. Director to see best how to resolve this issue. They will also see if some money can be refunded to our club from the Association to help pay for the monies spent on the additional nets plus the cost to cover the additional equipment at both the OC and Kilaga pools.

**Colleen Mosca ~ Secretary report** — Colleen mentioned to the Steering Committee members that if they are late getting back to her on changes or approval to the draft minutes past the 48 hours she gives them to respond, she will be happy to amend the minutes after that point and knows that sometimes committee members are traveling and cannot respond within the 48 hour window. She did revise the minutes slightly after Russ requested a change after that September draft minutes deadline.

**Mike Mosca** ~ **Treasurer/Membership Report** – Mike announced that our club has 167 current members. He said our club has a \$3582.85 current balance. There was \$2150.52 spent recently for net building for the additional equipment. He also mentioned that the Fall Festival which was very well received and a great event by all accounts produced a \$-497.00 loss roughly for our club. It was expected, however, as it was a Welcome Back event for our club which was sidelined for 18 months.

**Linda Swinton – Recreational Play Coordinator** – presented the name change from RCB (Recreational Competitive Ball) to CRB (Competitive Recreational Ball). Colleen changed the language in these minutes to reflect the change.

**Resolution**: Linda moved to have the Recreational Competitive Team name changed to CRB (Competitive Recreational Ball). Sidne seconded and all voted in favor.

**Linda** announced that Skills and Drills conducted by David Vaughan will resume on Tuesdays on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of the month from 6:20 pm to 7:10 pm at Kilaga. Then from 7:10-8:05 pm, there will be playing of water volleyball for those who want to continue after the training portion is over.

Linda asked that more lines be added to the online signup center on the website for the CRB team play nights so that enough players can be signed up. When there are a lot of CRB player absences, the website may not allow enough total players to sign up to make a decent team (9-11 per side). Ross agreed to add 6 more lines and the group agreed that this doesn't need to be discussed at the Steering Committee meetings but that it can just be handled between Linda and Ross or whoever the Webmaster is.

**Sandy** brought up that she wants to receive the contact information for the club members since she needs to contact players to be mentored. Mike (membership coordinator) agreed to include her in the distribution of the roster.

**Ross** discussed items for Eric's portion of the meeting (**Competitive Play Coordinator**) in Eric's absence. Ranking for L4-6 needs to happen on January 6<sup>th</sup> and not later in January and needs to be a shorter process.

**Resolution**: Ross moved to start the competitive ranking process on January 6<sup>th</sup> and to condense it to 1 month. Russ seconded. All were in favor.

<u>Resolution</u>: The L4 roster is growing. It stands at 18 currently. Because training will take place on October 28<sup>th</sup> (Thursday), Ross moved to have November 11<sup>th</sup> be the first L4 team night after a long break as the L4 roster was building. Sidne seconded. All were in favor. **L4 team night will continue on Thursday nights after this going forward.** 

<u>Resolution</u>: Carol then moved to approve the **Competitive tournament for November 1-4**, 2021. Russ seconded it. All were in favor.

<u>Resolution:</u> Scotty moved to have the Steering Committee members approve the social schedule that he presented. Russ seconded and all were in favor.

**Sidne George** ~ **Webmaster** - mentioned her job as the Webmaster. She said if people want changes to the website, for them to be specific on what it needs to be changed to.

Russ Palchak ~ Training Administrator – mentioned that he has lost trainers and needs more. Sidne agreed to help out. Cindi will create a flyer to be sent out also.

**Ross Underwood – Email Coordinator** – mentioned that he will solicit input from the Steering Committee on his "Water Week" email blast before sending it out to all club members so that we can help with the information in advance.

**New Business**: Sidne suggested that music be added while we play Water Volleyball to make it more fun. Cindi agreed to check with Debra McIlvain as to the approval of music during our play period.

Cindi adjourned the meeting at 6:52 PM.