



## **Hershey's Mill Sports Committee Meeting Minutes 11/20/2023 @ 1:00 Via Zoom**

**Attendees:** Jack Bradley, MaryAnn DeFalco, Jack Hamilton, Sherry Kane, George Madden, Lynn Mander, Dave Nagurney, George Earle (BOD Liaison)

**Meeting Minutes Approval:** Meeting minutes from 10/16/23 were approved and will be posted on the web.

**Treasurer's report:** As of 10/31/23, the HMS checkbook balance was \$15,986.25 and the bowling account balance was \$1,081.91 for a grand total of \$16,978.16.

### **Old Business:**

- Name Tag Update – Sherry reported there have been 138 requests for Name Tags at \$11.00 each. Sherry will order the name tags today. Lead time is about 10 days.
- Chairs for Pickleball Update – Sherry mentioned that she is working to resolve a dispute with the distributor. Sixteen chairs were ordered and 4 were received. The order was placed on the distributor's website. Yet the distributor claims that the website price was for 4 chairs, not 16. Sherry is disputing the charge and is working on a resolution.
- Succession Planning – Dave spoke about keeping the team aware of succession planning. Dave mentioned that most committee members have served for over two years. Bob Gottschall has recently resigned. Bob has been replaced by Jack Bradley who is a welcome addition to the committee.
- Residual Profits Pig Roast – A discussion occurred regarding the treatment of proceeds received from holiday events and the Pig Roast. Up until now, all proceeds have been deposited into the general fund. The discussion was whether or not proceeds from the Pig Roast should be treated the same way as all other residual funds or should they be earmarked exclusively for the following year's Pig Roast. After a long discussion, it was agreed that the topic will be put to a vote at the next HMSC meeting.
- Pig Roast Sponsor - The Pig roast was started 3 years ago when there was little HM-wide leadership for programs of this nature. The Community Center has a new leader (Kathy Martinides) and several volunteers. They have started to host HM-wide social events (e.g. Oktoberfest, Wine tasting). It is the opinion of several committee members that the Pig Roast would be better suited to be sponsored by the CC team rather than Sports, since it is a better fit as a HM-

wide social event. Since it is an established program, with 3 years of experience, it would be easy to transfer this successful program. Sherry will discuss with Kathy.

- CPR left over funds to HMCTV Foundation – Lynn reported that there were funds left over from the Fall CPR event which she will return to the HMCTV Foundation (\$1050 Fall grant - \$275 CPR class cost + \$100 Spring CPR surplus = \$905).

#### **New Business:**

- YMCA Cognitive Balance Seminar – Following a discussion, the committee agreed that the seminar is not a good fit for our sports programs but rather for the general population through the HMMA program RSN (Residents with Special Needs) which is just forming with HM/BOD Liaison Kim Morton.
- Paddle Participant Logbook – Nancy McMullen is keeping track of how many residents are playing Paddle and on what days by keeping an up-to-date logbook.
- Kinetic Physical Therapy Repeat Sports Injury and Recovery Seminar – Sherry suggested a repeat of the Sports Injury and Recovery Seminar be presented in late February followed by a seminar that could be titled “Preparing for the Upcoming Season” emphasizing stretching and exercises. That seminar can be held in late April or early May. Both seminars will be presented by Dr. Kresge and/or Dr. Taylor of Kinetic Physical Therapy of West Chester and will be followed by 10 minute clinics for residents who make reservations. Sherry will work out the details with Dr. Kresge and Dave will include Dawn in the discussion.
- Independence Blue Cross (IBX) sponsor a Holiday Barbecue – Sherry reported that IBX would like to sponsor a holiday sports event this coming summer. They would like to provide a BBQ for all residents who wish to attend. Following a discussion, it was agreed that the Memorial Day Celebration would be the best event. It will kick off the coming season in grand style while exposing non-playing residents to the sporting activities available to them at just the right time. It was agreed that HMS will provide water and residents will be asked to bring a dessert to share if they wish. Sherry will make the arrangements.
- IBX Request to Sponsor the Spring All Residents Meeting – IBX would also like to sponsor the spring All Residents Meeting. It was agreed that the meeting will take place Wednesday, April 24 at 1:00 P.M. The early afternoon starting time will not interfere with morning sports play and hopefully will increase attendance. Sherry will contact IBX to confirm that the date works for them and that they are amenable to bringing spring water, coffee and cookies.

**Facilities: - George Earle**

- New lighting is being installed at the Platform Tennis courts and is expected to be completed this week. Since the new lighting will be significant brighter, we agreed that the lights should be turned off at 9:00 PM in the interest of our neighbors in Princeton and Westbrook. The old lights will be stored with HML.
- The maple tree between the pool and Platform Tennis will be removed.
- Brambles around the Platform Tennis area were trimmed.
- George thanked Dave and his volunteers (Jack Bradley, Chip Dascanio, Mike Gibson) for completing the winterization of the Shuffleboard/Bocce/PB awnings.

**Requests:**

- Dave – Supplies for Bocce and Shuffleboard Tarps -- \$75.09. Unanimously approved.
- Paddle – Case of 72 Paddle Balls -- \$330.00. Unanimously declined. Case of 30 Paddle Balls - \$150.00. Unanimously approved.
- Paddle – 3 New Paddles to Replace Old Paddles - \$375.00. Unanimously declined. 3 New Paddles -- \$180.00. Unanimously approved.
- Lynn – New Checks for HMS Checking Account - \$83.00. Unanimously approved.

**Dates:**

1. 12/18/23 – 1:00 to 3:00 Next HMSC Meeting In person at the Sullivan House
2. 4/24/24 – 1:00 to 2:00 All Residents Spring Meeting

Meeting Adjourned at 3:15 P.M.