



Captain's Meeting #2 Spring 2017: 3/23/17 Start time 7:40 pm

Roll Call: Teams absent- **B1 (Trip Downey), B2 (Vanessa Cordero), B9 (Lucky Chavira) & R1 (Kate Frisch)**

Board Members Present: **Brook, Charlie, CJ, Judy, Christina**

1st item of business

Fundraisers:

- We have had two successful golf fundraisers and the next one will be Sunday April 23rd, 2017

2nd item of business

WCC Information:

- Brook spoke to Ann from San Diego, they are finalizing contracts with the Marriott San Diego and we are confirmed for WCC for July 6- 9, 2017
- As far as next WCC hosted by LBC, we are under contract for the ballroom, we are under contract for the rooms, the rooms will be \$5 more than last time- \$110/night

3rd item of business

Treasurer's Report:

- Mini 8 ball and 9 ball fundraisers including jello shot and raffle ticket sales totaled: \$583.00!!!
- Beginning balance 2/12/17: \$11,983.02; Ending balance 3/23/17: \$17,551.98 (just what Cori likes to see)

4th item of business

- There are outstanding league dues owed by one team

- The board has voted and if the team's dues are not paid by the end of play on Monday 3/27, the team will not be eligible to play or participate in any post season
- Ken Franck asked why the board has let it go on so long and what team it is that owes the dues. Brook did not feel comfortable answering because that particular team was not present. Tina Thompson shared that information with everyone
- There are several proposals being presented at today's meeting that will help prevent this issue in the future

5th item of business

- Brook proposed a vote to the captains regarding sponsor dues from Sweetwater
- Sweetwater does not want to pay their dues because there is only one team playing out of there
- The board made an error allowing more teams to play out of Lakewood Family Billiards with the impression other teams were moving to Sweetwater but that did not occur
- The captains will need to vote to approve the league paying Sweetwater's sponsor dues
- Ken spoke on behalf of preserving the relationship with Sweetwater since it is one of our original league bars
- Brook does not want to lose the essence of what the Long Beach Pool League is
- We need to have this relationship with the bar so we can continue to honor Joey Reda with his tournament
- Tina Thompson brought up the idea of printing business cards and passing them out to people to promote team openings at the Sweetwater
- Judy said the problem with Sweetwater is parking and has gotten worse since Broadway Bar no longer allows parking for Sweetwater patrons
- Janet suggested promoting the team openings to patrons of Sweetwater who do not have issues parking because they live within walking distance
- Unanimous vote passed for the league to absorb the \$40 bar sponsor fee for Sweetwater

6th item of business

Online presence:

- Rene's Long Beach Pool League facebook page is not an official Long Beach Pool League facebook page
- We will be creating an official facebook page through the league website
- Harassment, name calling of the board, and bullying will NOT be tolerated and will be moderated by board members
- The official facebook page will be for positive messages only and information/picture sharing
- Stephanie Sparks suggested Rene change the name of her facebook page so as not to be confused with anything official from the Long Beach Pool League
- Rene's facebook page is now closed to the public
- Too many people interested in joining the league were able to access Rene's page and then had second thoughts about joining the league

- Individuals who do not like what they see on Rene’s facebook can delete themselves from the page
- Ken Franck questioned whether or not the board made a mistake and Brook officially announced that the board DID in fact make a mistake in not being meaner to Ken

7th item of business

Proposals:

- The vote on Mike Valery’s proposal from last meeting will be tabled until next captain’s meeting since he was absent from the meeting to answer any questions from captains regarding his proposal
- There are five new proposals being introduced to be voted on next captain’s meeting as well
- **Proposal #1 is as follows (Cori)[TWO OPTIONS]:**

The rule below is unclear. As written you only have to be responsible for two weeks. The proposal below is an explanation of what a member in good standing should be. BOG members should be people who follow through with the commitments and the rules of the league. Why elect individuals who have a track record of not being responsible or following through on the requirements of the job. We want our league to continue to run smoothly and be solvent for a long time.

1.3.1 Election and Term of Office

A. Nominations for the Board of Governors shall be open to all league members in good standing for a minimum of two (2) weeks prior to the elections.

Proposal 1

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OR

Proposal 2

A. Nominations for the Board of Governors shall be open to all league members two (2) weeks prior to the elections. The nominated members allowed to participate must be in good standing. “Good Standing” is defined as participants whom are paid in full and who have held themselves in a sportsmanlike and responsible manner. Individuals that repeatedly resign from the BOG (3 or more times) and/or have been previously removed from the Board for Malfeasance and Nonfeasance (See 1.3.3 S Duties of the Board of Governors) should not be allowed to run for office.

- **Proposal #2 is as follows (Cori):**

A.

DUES

Every individual choosing to participate in the Long Beach Pool League has basically 6 months to come up with their team due for each season. It is extremely unfair for the pool league to let an individual or team play and participate for free when all others timely and responsibly pay on time.

OLD

1.1.2 Teams and Members

D. Cost is \$230 per Team. Team dues are due and to be paid-in-full by the end of the first Captains' Meeting.

PROPOSED

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D. Cost is \$230 per Team. Team dues are due and to be paid-in-full by the end of the first Captains' Meeting. Individual and team scores will not be posted if teams are not paid up by the first Captains' meeting

- **Proposal #3 is as follows (Cori):**

1.3.3 Duties of the Board of Governors

I. Take appropriate action with respect to teams or individuals who violate league rules or whose conduct is deemed detrimental to the league. Should an individual be suspended from seasonal play three (3) times, the final third suspension will equal permanent expulsion from the league. The suspended member has the right to appeal the decision at the next captain's meeting for final ruling. In extreme cases: the board has recourse to permanently exclude an individual from the league membership if they have been found to willingly commit a grievous misconduct such as, but no limited to, fraud and physical violence. Any suspensions prior to the beginning of the Fall of 2010 season will not count.

Proposal

I. Take appropriate action with respect to teams or individuals who violate league rules or whose conduct is deemed detrimental to the league. Issues may arise that are not expressly written or covered in the rule book. The BOG has the right and is expected to govern by applying the *spirit of the rules and sportsmanship* to make decisions that are not otherwise specifically stated within the rules. If an individual is suspended from seasonal play three (3) times, the final third suspension will equal permanent expulsion from the league. The suspended member has the right to appeal the decision at the next captain's meeting for final ruling. In extreme cases: the board has recourse to permanently exclude an individual from the league membership if they have been found to willingly commit a grievous misconduct such as, but not limited to, fraud, physical violence, acts of hatred or ongoing and continued harassment and defamation.

- **Proposal #4 is as follows (Xtina):**

ORIGINAL RULE:

3.7 UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT

No player is allowed to engage in any activity that is unsportsmanlike in nature, embarrassing, disrupting or detrimental to any other player(s), referee(s), spectator(s), board member(s) at any Long Beach Pool League related activity (Such as league-night, playoffs, qualifiers, memorial tournaments, fundraisers and West Coast Challenge).

Unsportsmanlike conduct includes but is not limited to, the following:

A. Interference: Deliberate interference with a shooter on the part of an opposing player or team members(s), either verbally or by interfering with balls and /or equipment in use of play. Penalty: Loss of game in progress.

B. Harassment: Verbal, written or physical harassment of participants, including players, referees, sponsors, and spectators such as yelling, name calling or other aggressive and intimidating behavior, etc. Penalty: 2-week suspension.

C. Physical Violence: Any intentional physical violence which includes but is not limited to, the use of a weapon, shoving, hitting and/or throwing objects at someone, etc., will not be tolerated.

Penalty: Mandatory expulsion for the remainder of the season (if the incident happens during post season play or at the West Coast Challenge the offending player will not be able to play the following season).

CHANGE TO:

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A. Interference: Deliberate interference with a shooter on the part of an opposing player or team members(s), either verbally or by interfering with balls and /or equipment in use of play. Penalty: Loss of game in progress.

B. Harassment: **Any** Verbal, written or physical harassment of participants, including players, referees, sponsors, and spectators such as yelling, name calling or other aggressive and intimidating behavior, etc. **will not be tolerated. Written harassment may also include but is not limited to any cyber bullying, or any posting to any social media that is owned by, related to, affiliated with or used to reach mass communication with the membership of the Long Beach Pool League. Penalty: Mandatory 2-week suspension for the first offense. Any offense thereafter, penalty may be up to the discretion of the board of governors and/or brought to the Captain's vote for expulsion for the remainder of the season including post season play (i.e. playoffs and West Coast Challenge). If the incident happens during post season play or at the West Coast Challenge the offending player will not be able to play the following season.**

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PURPOSE: to include cyber bullying and social media in our harassment policy and to have the same zero tolerance for harassment of any kind as physical violence.

- **Proposal #5 is as follows (Brook):**

Rule 1.1.2 Teams and Members

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Proposed Change

Rule 1.1.2 Teams and Members

D—Cost is \$230 per team. Team dues are due and to be paid in full by the end of the first Captains' Meeting. Failure to pay team dues in full will result in the team and all its members being considered not in good standing and not being eligible for trophies or to participate in any post season play (playoffs etc.) or the West Coast Challenge. (If a person on the team does not pay their portion of the dues they individually will not be eligible.) All owed money must be paid prior to a team or any member from that team being able to register for a new season of play. (Just a reminder: As with all rules in our rule book, the board has the power to make exceptions)

OPEN FLOOR:

- **Janet asked that the board and captains' meeting back to 6:30pm/7pm for the next meeting
Vote: 1-Nay (Ken F.)**

FINAL ROLL CALL: Teams absent- B1 (Trip Downey), B2 (Vanessa Cordero), B9 (Lucky Chavira) & R1 (Kate Frisch)

Brook motioned to end the meeting/2nd

Meeting ended at 8:25pm