FPUSA 2018 Board of Directors

April 2018 Agenda

Approval of March 2018 minutes
Please review the attached PDF [FPUSA_Minutes_Mar2018.pdf]

Business

Item 1–Continuation of Item #2 from the March Meeting:
   Consideration of 2018 Club Assistance Program

The motion to revise the CAP, made on March 30th, was seconded on March 31st, leaving no time for discussion and vote. Therefore, the item is first on the March agenda.

Item 2–Approval of 2018 Finance/Planning Special Committee

Pursuant to FPUSA Bylaws, Article V, President Feaster has formed a Special Committee, the 2018 Finance/Planning Committee. The appointees are: Robert Force, Steve Walker, and Frank Guzman. Per Article V, this Committee is temporary; however, the goal is that it evolves into the Standing Committee called for in the FPUSA Strategic Plan.

The Committee will be assisted by Treasurer John Harris, who will provide banking information and any reports requested.

The Committee is charged with the following:
   1. Review of current financial status to determine and define minimum cash reserve.
   2. Develop a plan to allocate any excess cash to key organizational objectives, included but not limited to the following:
      a. Funding objectives defined in the FPUSA Strategic Plan
      b. Review the recent proposal presented by the Fresno Petanque Club with the goal of defining the criteria, if any, under which FPUSA will consider subsidizing an individual club’s major project.
      c. Review the current Club Assistance Program (CAP).
      d. Consider FPUSA’s participation in the upcoming 2021 World Games, and potentially the 2024 Summer Olympics (to be held in Paris). This should be limited to the projected amount of funds needed to develop the programs necessary to participate in these events. The Committee’s findings will inform the full Board of Directors, who will need to consider whether (or not) to pursue the World Games and/or Olympics.
   3. Present findings and recommendations, including a permanent annual budget process and the formation of the Standing Committee (Development) called for in the FPUSA Strategic Plan.
   4. The “term” of Committee’s operation shall be “until 1-3 above are complete.
Item 3–Review and Approval of Revised Article VIII of the FPUSA Bylaws

The Sport Committee is requesting revisions to the eligibility requirements set forth in Article VIII. The primary purpose is to better define “non-citizen participation” in order to clarify for all involved (FPUSA leadership, membership, and potential competitors in title tournaments). The proposed revisions are being finalized and will be presented when this item comes before the Board. It is somewhat time-sensitive, as the Sport Committee intends to publish the registrations documents for the upcoming National Men’s and Women’s Doubles World Championship Qualifier.

Note: any changes to Article VIII will require a vote equal to or exceeding a two-thirds majority of the FPUSA Board of Directors, which in this case is 12 yes votes.

Item 4–Review and Approval of Revised FPUSA Tournament Regulations

This item may be required, depending on the final wording of revisions to Article VIII.

Item 5–FPUSA Strategic Plan: Review, Revise, Affirmation, Implementation

Please review the FPUSA Strategic Plan [FPUSA Strategic Plan.pdf]. Each year the FPUSA Board of Directors must review the strategic plan. The current plan is stated to run from 2017-2020, and must be reviewed, revised (as needed), affirmed, and an implementation plan put into action.

Item 6–Consideration of Regional Advisory Boards

The need for effective bottom-up communication has not been addressed historically. One idea to remedy this is to create “regional advisory boards,” led (chaired) by the individual region’s FPUSA Counselor(s), and made up of the region’s club presidents and at-large representatives chosen by the Counselors and the Clubs.

Item 7–Consideration of the FPUSA Communications Strategy

Website, blog, social media, email, and potentially an annual publication are currently the key elements of the FPUSA communications strategy. The Communications Committee will present an outline plan, along with results from a brief survey relating to the annual publication.
Meeting called to order March 1, 2018

Note: Due to the nature of FPUSA monthly board meetings being conducted via group email, the meeting is considered called to order on the first day of the month and adjourns on the last day of the month.

Members Present:
Due to the nature of FPUSA monthly board meetings being conducted via group email, all members are considered present.

Approval of Minutes:
February, 2018 minutes introduced by President Dan Feaster for administrative approval. Approved unanimously by consensus

Business

Item 1–Consideration of Los Angeles Petanque Club Request

Motion:
"to accept the LAPC request and allow Mr. Pellerud to play in FPUSA tournaments with the exception of qualifiers until his sanction period ends."

Vote: Motion Passed Unanimously
17 Yes, 0 No

Item 2–Consideration of 2018 Club Assistance Program

Item #2 was not concluded, and will continue as the first item of business in the April meeting.