

SVPL Meeting - 4/24/17

Meeting was held at the Holy Trinity Club.

Meeting was called to order at 6:45pm

Roll Call: All present except except Doug Long (Royersford VFW2) & Kenny Thomas (Phoenixville Moose 2)

Treasurer report: \$8,192.06 currently in the bank. Note: the Prizes have already been paid.

Old Business reviewed:

- Discussed moving games along more quickly last meeting
- Reminder that all received the new cue balls
- Playoffs were discussed
- Elections would be at April meeting.
- Discussed 11 game format, 1 Division and Ball in Hand... would be up for a vote next meeting.

New Business:

- Election
 - Jeff opened the nominations process and asked for nominations for any of the Officer's positions.
 - No one was put forward.
 - On a motion by Claire Neizer, seconded by Mike Dugan it was moved to retain all of the officers in their current positions. The vote was unanimous and all officers agreed to serve for the 2017-2018 SVPL year.
- Multiple Divisions
 - Joe reviewed the information that was sent out prior to the last meeting regarding having 1 division or 2, the by-laws state that we 'strive' for 2 divisions. In the last several years we have only had 14 teams and everyone plays each other 2 times.
 - The proposal is if we have fewer than 16 teams, there will only be a single division and everyone will play each other twice (15 teams = 28 weeks maximum). Our current situation is 14 teams playing each other twice is 26 weeks of regular season. If we have 16 teams or more, we will set up 2 divisions, you'll play inside your division twice (7x2=14) and cross division once (8x1) for 22 weeks of regular season play.
 - There was discussion regarding trophies and plaques, this would need to be reviewed (no one wants a 14th place 'trophy').
 - A motion to implement this proposal was made by Mike Dugan seconded by Claire Neizer the motion passed with only Rich Kling and Tom Cirafisi opposing.
 - The 2017-2018 schedule will be done utilizing this proposal.

- 11 Game format
 - Joe reviewed the proposal for moving to the 11 game format, nights getting done quicker and fewer shooters needed to play a complete match and not have forfeits.
 - Most Captains did not like this change so after discussion, no motion was put forward to move this proposal forward.
- Ball-in-Hand
 - Joe reviewed the proposal and discussed some potential changes with moving to Ball-in-Hand on Foul rules.
 - In particular we have seen an increase of shots that are not an attempt to make (or hit) one of your balls and there is no penalty for those actions.
 - There was extensive discussion surrounding this proposal, with some potential changes discussed. Elements the captains wanted to see continuing included, a scratch on an 8 remains a loss.
 - On a motion by Todd Welch seconded by Mike Dugan the proposal passed 9-4 with George Donley, Tom Cirafisi, Rich Kling and Pete Picaretta opposing.
 - Joe and Jeff would work on the rules for tweaking at the August SVPL meetings and this will be implemented for the 2017-2018 SVPL year.
- Raffle Drawing
 - A raffle drawing for a Predator Break cue for all of those in attendance was held to thank the Captains/CoCaptains for all of their hard work in 2016-2017. Chuck Moloney of Gallagher's Green was the winner.
- Banquet Tickets
 - Doug gave the final call for teams to turn in Banquet tickets.

Mike Dugan motioned to adjourn the meeting. Jim Valerio seconded it. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

The Captains' Dinner followed.

Minutes taken by Joe Sherwood