

Bloomington Pickleball Club, Inc. Bylaws

ARTICLE I GENERAL

The following bylaws are subject to, and governed by, the Non-Profit Corporation Act of Indiana and the Articles of Incorporation of Bloomington Pickleball Club, Inc. In the event of a direct conflict between the following provisions of these bylaws and the mandatory provisions of the Non-Profit Corporation Act of Indiana, the Non-Profit Corporation Act shall be the prevailing controlling law. In the event of a direct conflict between the provisions of these bylaws and the Articles of Incorporation, it shall then be the Articles of Incorporation that shall be governing.

ARTICLE II NAME

The legal name of this Non-Profit Corporation is Bloomington Pickleball Club, Inc.

ARTICLE III PURPOSE

The purposes of this Corporation are charitable and educational. Our goals are to enhance the health and welfare of the public by encouraging, organizing, and promoting engagement in the sport of pickleball in Bloomington, Indiana and the surrounding areas. The mission is to encourage participation in local pickleball events and competitions to reduce the burdens of local municipalities, and to partner with other qualified charities for fund raising efforts. This includes organizing and managing local, regional, national, and international tournaments. It also includes providing financial assistance to local municipalities for planning, construction, and maintenance of pickleball courts and related infrastructures.

ARTICLE IV MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

A. Membership

- a. Membership for Bloomington Pickleball Club, Inc. is open to all players and those who have an interest in pickleball
- b. Everyone must complete a Bloomington Pickleball Club application on the club website
 - i. Failure to properly complete application may result in non-acceptance
- c. Non members may participate in club activities but are not eligible for club discounts offered to club members.

- i. Non members shall not participate in club activities that are deemed Bloomington Pickleball Club, Inc. only.
 - d. Membership lasts the duration of the calendar year in which the application is accepted.
 - e. Liability - Members agree to abide by the "Release of Liability, Waiver of Claims, Assumption of Risks" as stated on the most current Bloomington Pickleball Club, Inc. website Terms and Conditions page.
- B. Dues
 - a. Bloomington Pickleball Club, Inc. membership is not activated until full payment is received
 - i. Payment can be made on the Club website or manually through the Club Treasurer
 - ii. Failure to pay membership dues is reason for member termination
 - b. The membership year is based on the calendar year when the application or re-application is approved
 - c. Bloomington Pickleball Club, Inc. dues may be evaluated each year by the board
- C. All members are required to practice good sportsmanship and display good behavior.
- D. There shall be no discrimination on the basis of characteristics such as age, race, ethnicity, disability, gender, sexual orientation, or religion.
- E. Disciplinary Action
 - a. Members that display poor sportsmanship or who unnecessarily and purposefully create a state of disturbance are subject to have their membership temporarily or permanently suspended by the board.
 - b. All members are subject to termination at any time at the discretion of the Board.

ARTICLE V MEMBER MEETINGS

- A. An annual club member meeting will be held
 - a. With an email notification sent to members with at least 30 days in advance of the meeting. Special meetings may also be called by written request of at least four voting members of the Club. The president will then set up a meeting of the members to discuss and resolve the issue with the assistance of the executive committee.
 - b. Regular Board meetings may be called by the Board Chair and a quorum will constitute at least two thirds (rounded down) of those current Board members having voting rights.
 - c. All meetings will use Roberts Rules of Order as a guideline in conducting such meetings. Voting may use verbal or hand recognition. A simple majority will suffice unless the Board approves otherwise.

ARTICLE VI
EXECUTIVE BOARD, CLUB OFFICERS, AND APPOINTMENT

- A. Executive Board Leadership Titles
 - a. Chair of the Board
 - b. Vice Chair of the Board
 - c. Recorder of the Board

- B. The Board is made up of 15 members and shall reserve the right to add positions as seen fit in order to better accomplish the mission of Bloomington Pickleball Club, Inc..

- C. Club Officers
 - a. President
 - b. Vice President
 - c. Treasurer

- D. The Executive Committee is defined as the Executive Board Leadership Team and The Club Officers Team.

- E. Duties for respective offices
 - a. Chair of the Board
 - i. Responsibilities:
 - 1. Preside over all board meetings and actions
 - 2. Advise the club president on all matters
 - 3. Appoint sub-committee chairs
 - 4. To assign board members to committees
 - 5. Determine when sub-committees are needed
 - 6. To act as the official spokesperson for the board
 - 7. To serve as an ex-officio member of all sub-committees
 - 8. Terminate sub-committees
 - 9. Maintain the Club By-Laws
 - 10. To chair the Executive Committee
 - ii. Term
 - 1. Two years from the election date
 - b. Vice Chair of the Board
 - i. Responsibilities:
 - 1. To assume responsibility should the chair be absent
 - 2. To serve on the Presidential review sub-committee
 - ii. Term
 - 1. Two years from the election date

- c. Recorder
 - i. Responsibilities:
 - 1. To keep accurate records of all transactions of the board
 - 2. To distribute to members of the board a copy of the minutes of the meetings of the board
 - 3. To assist the president in maintaining an official copy of board actions in the office of the president.
 - ii. Term
 - 1. Two years from the appointment date
 - d. President of the Bloomington Pickleball Club, Inc.
 - i. Responsibilities
 - 1. All executive operations of the club
 - 2. Select and appoint administrators
 - 3. Lead annual strategic plan
 - 4. Ex-officio member of the Executive Board
 - ii. Term
 - 1. Two years from the election date
 - e. Vice President of the Bloomington Pickleball Club, Inc.
 - i. Responsibilities
 - 1. Primary delegate of the president
 - 2. Function as the president in the absence of the president
 - 3. Ex-officio member of the Executive Board
 - ii. Term
 - 1. Two years from the election date
 - f. Treasurer of the Bloomington Pickleball Club, Inc.
 - i. Responsibilities
 - 1. Keeping an accounting of all club funds
 - 2. Lead the effort for annual financial reporting and accounting
 - 3. Ex-officio member of the Executive Board
 - ii. Term
 - 1. Two years from the election date
- F. Qualifications for Executive Board and Officers
- a. An active member of Bloomington Pickleball for at least one year.
- G. Electoral Procedures
- a. At the annual meeting, the Executive Board shall elect or appoint two members of the Board to fill the positions of the members whose terms expire at that meeting by a majority vote of at least three members (excluding any member whose term expires at that meeting).

- b. Number and Term. There shall be fifteen voting members of the Board of Trustees. Each member shall have a term of two years. Each term shall commence upon the date for the annual meeting for the Executive Board.
- c. Vacancies. Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors may be filled at any special, regular or annual meeting of the Executive Board by the affirmative vote of at least five members of the Board of Directors including the chair of the board.
- d. Removal of Board Members. Any of the members may be removed with cause, after a hearing before the Board, by the affirmative vote of at least five members at a special meeting of the Board called for such purpose, or at a regular meeting of the Board if the removal of such member is included as an agenda item in the notice of such regular meeting delivered to each member of the Board not less than 10 days prior to such regular meeting.
- e. Removal of Elected and Appointed club roles. Any of the elected or appointed members may be removed with cause, after a meeting of the combined Executive Board and Club Officers, by the affirmative vote of at least 3 members at a special meeting called for such purpose, a ratification of any decision in this manner must be achieved at the subsequent board meeting.

ARTICLE VII DECISION MAKING

- A. Establishment of a Quorum
 - a. A minimum of one chair of the board and six other board members are needed for a quorum to be established.
- B. Board Decisions
 - a. Decisions of the board can only be rendered by a quorum majority vote.
- C. Ex-Officio Members of the Board
 - a. Ex-officio members of the board will only be called upon to break a tie of votes from full board members. In the order of Pres, Vice Pres, and Treasurer
 - b. Ex-officio statutes is applied to officers of the club

ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENTS

- A. Any member of the organization may propose an amendment to Executive Board
 - a. Amendment must be emailed to the President so it may be voted on during organization meetings
 - i. Vice President must be carbon copied on email
- B. In order for an amendment to be ratified, it must pass a majority vote among executive board members present at a meeting.

ARTICLE IX
DEDICATION OF ASSETS

- A. The properties and assets of the Club are irrevocably dedicated to and for non-profit purposes only. No part of the net earnings, properties, or assets of the Club, on dissolution or otherwise, shall inure to the benefit of any person or any member, director, or officer of this Club. On liquidation or dissolution, all remaining properties and assets of the Club shall be distributed and paid over to an organization dedicated to non-profit purposes as set forth in the Articles of Incorporation.