

Pickleball Canada 2023 Annual General Meeting June 28, 2022

Election of Directors - Nominee Information Package

Nominee Name: Eileen McClean

Nominee Letter of Intent:

I was taught the wonderful game of pickleball in 2013 in California and came home to find that there was a small club in St.Albert of about 80 members. I took a board position in 2014, and later that year stepped up to be president as the president stepped down as we were engaged in building 12 courts and he could not commit the time.

As a club we now have 800 members. As president I fulfill all of the tasks required by a president. I am also venue manager for the club organizing our outdoor venue at the Alpine courts and I organise the indoor venues. We have venues in 6 Schools, one church and one private facility.

I worked with the city and the previous board to create 12 courts at Alpine as the tennis courts there were no longer used. We then with the extra monies from the grant we're able to refurbish 6 courts where we used to have our "club home "as we called it!

I manage 65 + captains and their schedule. I create the schedule for the courts in collaboration with a venue team. I am a member of the ratings committee as we are now engaged on working through the DUPR process; previously I was also the rating coordinator for four years organizing rating sessions. Prior to taking on the presidents role I was a trainer for the club. I am a member of the facilities task force as we are always searching for indoor and outdoor courts for the future of the club! I also am a level 1 referee which I received in September last year. I plan to try for level two at the end of summer!

I believe we as an organization should never forget where we came from. It is the grass roots that got us to where we are today. If it is good for the smallest of clubs, it is good for Pickleball Canada. While Picklebal Canada has a National outlook, it cannot lose sight of our beginnings! I am committed to teamwork and am solution focused. I have been active as a president of SAPC working with phenomenal growth within our club! I have been so fortunate to have had an excellent team of Board members work with me; effective communication is an important key to our success.

Nominee Resume:

1988 - 1993 - Elementary Teacher in the Fort McMurray Separate school system

1990 - Won the Alberta Excellence in Education award

1993 - 1995 – Instructional coach at Sister Mary Phillips school.

1995 - 1996 – Vice principal of Fr Turcotte school (k-8 school)

1996 - 1997 – Vice principal of St Gabriel school (k-9 school)

1997 - 2004 - Principal of St.Gabriel school (k-8 school)

2004 - 2007 - Principal of Ecole St Paul school (k-8 school)

1999 - 2007 - President of Fort McMurray Council on Administration

2007 - retired and moved to St Albert.

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2014 - director on SAPC board

2015 - to present President of SAPC