

Pickleball Association of Sun City
Quarterly Board Meeting
March 9, 2016 @ 9:30 a.m.

1. Call to Order - a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by the President, Nancy Grafton.

2. Minutes of the Annual Meeting - the minutes of the last board meeting on November 4, 2015 were approved.

3. Reports of the Officers

a. Vice President - we currently have 432 members. We have 81 new members for 2016.

b. Treasurer - our total assets are \$15,112.91.

c. Secretary - Two accidents - we had a person fall into the fence at the back of court 5 but refused to fill out an accident report. He was doing fine at last inquiry. Robert Stockburger broke his arm between the elbow and shoulder blade when he tripped and fell on court #4. He asked for an ambulance to be called as he couldn't be lifted to stand. He was transported to Seton.

d. Player Development - Peg O'Toole reported on the Intro to Pickleball classes which are held on Saturday's from 3 - 5 p.m. Since February 9th, there have been 5 classes for a total of 56 people. 38 of those taking the classes joined the club.

e. Communications - Kathy Carr asked members in attendance to send in pictures and stories for Kitchen Talk.

f. President - Nancy Grafton met with Stephen Ashlock of the Pulte Group and explained how the game of pickleball is played, why it is the fastest growing sport in the USA, and the need of the Club regarding future expansion. She volunteered the resources of the Club regarding pickleball facilities around the United States from the data gathered by our internal Task Force and suggested that we serve as a resource for the Pulte Group and the Expansion Task Force. Three weeks after this meeting with Mr. Ashlock, Ron Garland of the Expansion Task Force contacted Nancy to present a proposal to the Committee regarding the future needs of the Club. Kathy Carr and Nancy met with the Expansion Task Force and presented a 30-minute power point presentation.

4. Reports of Standing Committees

a. Task Force - is composed of a Data Collection Team, an Information Integration Team and a Broadcasting Team. They have decided to ask the Expansion Committee for 18 new courts. It will be years before these new courts are available and before we know how many we are going to get. Kathy Carr, the Task Force Lead, stated that we

have an immediate need for more courts. The group has decided to request a loan of 2 tennis courts (11 & 12) for pickleball until the new courts are available. The committee is requesting that all members write a letter telling their story of how the current shortage of pickleball courts impacts them personally. They have a sample to help people, if needed. Mike Hausman's term on the Sports Committee ends in June. He stated that it would help if a pickleball club member would take his place on the Sports Committee.

b. Spring Tournament - will be held on April 9th. Sara Wahlquist will serve as the Social Chairman for this tournament. The Stacey Group will furnish lunch to all participants. Dinner will be catered from Legacy Grille. Sara and her volunteers will serve breakfast, set up a welcome table and have door prizes.

c. Spring and Winter Leagues - Peg reported that the Winter league is in its last week and it has been a rain out all week. The Spring League will start the 1st week of April. The rules will be reviewed and revised after the Winter League finishes and those rules will be out next week. The Spring League will also run on the Ladder League format but there must be a minimum of 16 teams for it to work.

d. Beginner Mentoring Program - Toni Briggs reported that the 1st five week session has been completed and it was a big success. The first group was happy with everything but wanted more time. Everyone drew names at the end of the last class and that name is their buddy. The buddy would take the beginner over to courts 1-4 four or five times and play with them to get them comfortable going over on their own. The next 3 five week sessions are already full.

e. Maintenance - Clark Grafton reported that the cracks on the courts will be fixed when the temperature warms up. Resurfacing of the courts will take place in 2019. They were last done in 2013 and they are on a 6 year rotation. Chuck Flanigan pointed out that the courts were built in 2009 and they were resurfaced in 2013. That is four years and because of the high volume of play that it should be done on a four year rotation. Clark will talk with Maintenance to receive clarification. Clark reported that the outlet on Court 5 did not have a protective cover for the GFI and Maintenance installed one. The new poles are up on courts 5 & 6 and Maintenance is waiting for the cement to cure before the new lights are installed.

f. Simon - was not working so a new motor was ordered and installed and the carousel still would not turn. The company requested that it be shipped back to them so they could replace the mother board. That did fix the problem and Simon is ready to use when we have electricity back on court 5.

5. Report of Special Committees

a. Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon - Mary Payne suggested that we have this luncheon to show our appreciation to 120 volunteers in 2015. She made the arrangements for it to be catered at Putter's Café on the patio from 12-2 p.m. on March 12th. She sent out the invite and 65 responded positively.

6. Volunteer of the Month Award - Mike Hausman was our Volunteer of the Month and he was presented with a plaque by Nancy Grafton. The monthly deadline to nominate someone is the 13th of every month.

7. Unfinished Business

a. Spring and Summer Hours will be posted for the period April 1-September 30. A question arose about when the lights could be turned on – 6 or 7 a.m. Nancy will check to if this is mandated by the CA, or Club rules.

b. Socials - we still do not have a Social Chairman so we will just ask volunteers to be in charge of one event for the year.

8. New Business

a. On-line voting - this would require an amendment to the by-laws. Nancy will find out the steps to proceed before the June meeting.

b. Court rules & regs - Sandra Eyster suggested that we put the rack system outside of court four so we could incorporate courts 5 & 6 into the rotation. Players could wait at the picnic table under the shade tree or on the bleachers. This would remove the safety issue between courts two and three, where it gets so congested. Chuck Flanagan volunteered to work up a flow chart for the 6 courts and Charlie Hagen volunteered to add the verbiage.

c. Junior Camp - Richard Bradley reported that camp would be held June 15-22. He needs 8 volunteers to help from 8:45 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

d. Individual Evaluation Rating System - David Laird volunteered to rate players when the program is established.

Adjournment

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