

**Pickleball Association of Sun City Texas (PASCT) Board
Meeting Wednesday, September 14, 2016 @ 9:30 a.m. Cowan
Creek (Jarrell & Walburg Rooms)**

Call to Order - a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by the President, Nancy Grafton at 9:30 a.m.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting - the minutes of the last board meeting on July 13, 2016 were approved.

Reports of the Officers:

Vice President - Barb Patterson reported that we currently have 518 paid members and 504 active members. Some of the paid members have moved out of Sun City but will remain on the membership rolls until December 31st.

Treasurer - Gary Pinkston reported that the club's total assets are \$11,672.46. Revenue for the year is \$8,988.44 and expenditures total \$6,493.55. Approximately \$1,300.00 needs to be spent before the end of the year to avoid revenue exceeding expenses.

Secretary - VA Miller reported that the only accident that occurred since the last board meeting was a member falling and breaking her wrist.

Player Development:

Introduction to Pickleball - Peg O'Toole reported that 146 players have taken the class in 2016. 83 of those taking the class have joined the club (57% of attendees).

Beginners' Mentoring - Peg and Kathy Carr are hoping to get 16 teaching volunteers for these classes so that each team would only have to volunteer once every 5 weeks. Several members complimented Peg and Kathy on the success of the mentoring program and Skills and Drills.

Skills and Drills – The classes are currently aimed for novice players and future discussions should explore programs for intermediate and advanced players.

Leagues - the 4-week trial leagues started on Monday, Sept. 12 at 11:00 a.m. for novice/ beginners. The first 16 people to show up play. The intermediates will play on Wednesday, and the advanced on Fridays. At the end of the four weeks, continuation of the league using the "drop in and play" format will be evaluated.

Communications Director - Kathy Carr reported that the pot luck and "Ball" registration is set up on the website.

President:

Landscaping - the idea of landscaping the common area developed due to the court rotation system that was adopted in April, 2016. This led to a change in where everyone congregated to wait for court availability. With all the rain and foot traffic, the area became unsightly. Nancy met with Property and Grounds to discuss a plan to fix the problem. They agreed with the eroding condition of the area and agreed that flagstone and gravel would enhance the appearance of the area.

Reports of Standing Committees:

September Social - Clark Grafton, chairperson for the Lounge Lizard social, reported that 24 ladies participated. Diane Cleaver earned the most points, with Sandy Piland earning second place. Marie Sena was awarded the most unusual outfit! A big thank you went out to Daphne Blair and Janice Cozart for working the food line and beverage lines and keeping all the women hydrated!

October Social - VA Miller reported that the theme for the October 8, 2016 social will be a Halloween Pickle "Ball". Everyone needs to register online since it is limited to the first 120 people. Members who register should bring a dish to share (enough to feed 8 people) and lawn chairs. The evening will start at 5 p.m. at the courts. We will eat first, followed by dancing on courts 5 and 6. Everyone is encouraged to wear a costume and court shoes must be worn. There will be various prizes awarded. The event will end at 8 p.m.

Fall Tournament and Shrimp Boil Social - will take place on November 5th with a tournament in the morning which will include Novice, Intermediate and Advanced teams. A lite breakfast will be served and we are confirming the luncheon sponsor. The tournament will be run by Barb Patterson. She has asked for volunteers to help with the tournament. A shrimp boil will follow at the Cowan Creek Pavilion. Burt and Lonnie will purchase the food. Food preparation and servers will be needed. The ticket price for members is \$7 and \$10 for non-members. Jan Schmidt of Stacey Group has provided lunch for pickleball events throughout the year. Nancy ask if we could invite her and her husband to the Shrimp Boil and cover the cost as a thank you. Barb Patterson made a motion that we invite Jan and her husband and Gary Pinkston seconded it. Kim Stout will be in charge of a Food Drive that day. Everyone will be encouraged to bring a canned good to be donated to the Caring Place.

Unfinished Business:

Amendments to the By-Laws – The By-Laws are posted on line for review by members and will be voted on at the Annual Meeting in November, along with the election of officers.

New Business:

Volunteer of the Month - Fred Kandel is the September VOM. His award will be presented at a later date as he was out of town. Sara Walquist, the May VOM was recognized and presented with her plaque.

Clark Grafton introduced Randy McDonald, who is the coordinator for Blue Santa and lives in Sun City. People participating in the Lounge Lizard Social brought gifts to donate to Blue Santa and these were presented to Randy for distribution by the Georgetown Police Department in December. They are in need of volunteers so if anyone can help, please contact Randy.

Nominating Committee - Nancy encouraged members to let Kim Stout, chairwoman of the Nominating Committee know if they would like to volunteer for a board position. The slate must be presented to the Board by October 8th.

The election will take place at the November board meeting on the 9th at 9:30 a.m. in the Cowan Creek Jarrel/Walburg room. Toni Briggs suggested that we serve a light breakfast. Nancy pointed out that the room was not big enough to hold many more people. Toni made a motion to find a larger room and/or alternate date to promote the annual election and By-Laws changes. Kathy Carr seconded the motion.

Paddle System - a new system was found online that hooks onto the fence that keeps the paddles standing upright. Because of the six court rotation system, a 24-paddle system would be needed. Approximate cost with shipping is \$210.00. Gary Pinkston motioned to buy the 24 paddle system and Peg O'Toole seconded it.

It was pointed out that with the new landscaping complete, we have room for another picnic table. Gary Pinkston will research cost to purchase an additional table.

Nancy has been getting a lot of correspondence from members regarding rules and regulations clarifications. She suggested that everyone look at the current Rules and Regulations and make suggestions to the Board. If the new bylaws are approved in November, then the Rules and Regulations can be reviewed, voted on by the Board, and posted.

In response to the need for the paddle shelf system to be utilized when members are showing up to play in the early evening and then under the lights, June Sewell will be asked to make a sign to post at courts 5 and 6, and Kathy will be asked to post a reminder in Pickleball Express and Kitchen Talk.

Members were reminded that if they would like to speak at a meeting, to please notify the secretary and be put on the agenda.

A discussion ensued on the cracks in the courts and possible solutions. Nancy will contact our P&G Liaison, Mike Hausman, to discuss possible solutions.

The Simone "Tutor" Throwing Machine was ordered and arrived last week. It will be used in training programs and will become available to all members at a future date.

Adjournment:

No further new business was introduced, and the meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.