

**PASCT Annual Board Meeting
Wednesday, November 4, 2015
Cowan Creek Georgetown/Florence Rooms
9:00 a.m.**

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

II. Welcoming Remarks-Nancy Grafton welcomed everyone to the meeting.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Minutes of the Previous Meeting-the minutes of the last board meeting on September 16, 2015 were approved.

V. Reports of the Officers

a. Vice President-we currently have 490 members. This is an increase of 12 members since our last meeting in September.

b. Treasurer-our total assets are \$11,228.00 minus the expenditures we will have for the dinner portion of the Fall Tournament social of approximately \$1100.

c. Player Development-

1. Introduction to Pickleball Classes: December 5th and 12th from 4-5:30. Currently there are 2 enrolled on the 5th and one on the 12th. These classes should fill up at the New Resident Orientation on November 19, 2015.

2. Leagues: Women's league is complete with Mary Payne winning and Kathy Carr in second. The Men's league is complete with David Stout winning and Cle Alexander in second. The Mixed league is not complete because of rain delays but the leaders currently are Steve Timmons/ Mary Perez in first and Don Hayes/June Sewell in second.

d. Communications-the bulletin board outside the ballroom was updated by Kathy Carr and Kim Stout. Transition was made to the new website.

e. Secretary-we had one reported injury to Bill Crist. This occurred at the Fall Tournament. He was running forward and fell on his shoulder. He sustained a rotator cuff injury. He is scheduled for more evaluations.

f. President-

1. Existing Lights on Courts 5 & 6: three vendors have looked at the lights. Two out of the three vendors will not add lights to the existing poles. They stated that the poles are not poles used on courts, rather they are for parking lots. They would only submit a proposal based on the replacement of the existing poles that would support their lighting systems. The vendor (Ringdale) whose lights were purchased by the CA would use the existing poles and add three lights to each pole at the cost of \$9700. We would be expected to contribute at least half of the funds for these upgrades. Temporary Lights on Courts 5 & 6: Nancy Grafton met with the Sports Committee with a request to use temporary lights on courts 5 and 6. It was endorsed subject to approval by Property & Grounds. Her presentation to Property & Grounds is scheduled for November 10, 2015.

2. Temporary Lights on Courts 5 & 6: Nancy Grafton met with the Sports Committee with a request to use temporary lights on courts 5 and 6. Estimated cost of the homemade lights is \$80 per unit plus the cost of any required temporary power cords.

3. The President reminded members that the court lights should not be turned on

before 7 am and must be turned off no later than 10 pm nightly. An attendee recommended that this information be posted to the light switch at the courts.

4. Welcome Letters: The Club sends a welcome letter signed by the club president along with a hat pin pickle to our new members recognizing their membership. Unfortunately, when the postal machine processes these letters, the pickle pins get mutilated. By the time our new members get their welcome letter, the pickle pin is either missing or in pieces. We tried to leave the pickles at the Monitor's Desk for folks to pick up, but that's not working. It has been recommended that we establish "Club Ambassadors" to deliver these letters to the new members.

5. Committee to Recommend Court Utilization Strategies: We have 14 volunteers so far representing a cross section of our membership. This working committee should be limited to the first five volunteers in each skill level or interest group. This committee will be headed by the Vice President, who will report to the board their recommendation on court utilization and how best to promote the Club motto between the skill sets. The goal is to get 5 representatives from each of the following groups: Novice, Intermediate, Advanced and Social.

6. Requests to Research:

A. Permanent Name tags - It costs \$5.50 for magnetic name tags. These would have to come with a warning to pacemaker users.

B. Backboard- \$650 for one that is affixed to the fence. \$2000 for a permanent one made of fiberglass. To combat the level of noise generated with using a backboard, its positioning on the courts would be a key consideration, as would the proposed use of quiet balls."

7. New CA Board President effective January 1, 2016: Stephen Ashlock is to replace Brent Baker. Nancy has not been able to secure a meeting with Mr. Ashlock as yet.

8. Nancy Grafton presented Jan Schmidt of the Stacey Group with a gift and a plaque. They have furnished lunch to the participants of all the tournaments throughout the year.

VI. Reports of the Managers

a. Fall Tournament: Mary Payne will be passing her role as tournament director to Barb Patterson. The tournament presented many obstacles with the weather but with lots of help, was a big success. There were 64 participants and Mary recognized the winners of each division.

b. Social: Many thanks went out to Kim Stout, the organizer of the social. The food was the best ever. 125 tickets were sold. Thanks went out to Kim Stout, VA Miller, Sandy Piland and Sheri Brainard for making all the decorations for the social and to VA Miller for the entertainment. Kim Stout will be stepping down as Social Director at the end of the year. A replacement has not yet been named.

c. Simon: 91 member have currently been trained on Simon. These classes are held by demand. Simon has a new cabinet and a new battery. This new battery is lasting over 4 hours.

d. Maintenance: Stan Payne turned over court maintenance to Clark Grafton on October 15, 2015. Clark is scheduling a walk around with Mac, the CA Maintenance Manager, to identify areas that he feels need addressed. For example: the cracking on courts 1-4, a permanent conduit line for Simon and the delivery of two windscreens that were not delivered in September when Stan replaced the windscreens on courts 1-4 that face Sun City Boulevard. Many thanks to June Sewell for posting the Fall/Winter/Spring court schedules and the sign indicating the locations of the First Aid Kits and AED.

VIII Unfinished Business:

- a. Lee Miller was presented with a plaque as he is our "Volunteer of the Month".
- b. Jack Warner was recognized for his past contributions to the Pickleball club. He received a Certificate of Appreciation and six pickleballs.
- c. Jan Schmidt was given a framed Certificate of Appreciation.

d. The departing board members were recognized and received Certificates of Appreciation and six pickleballs each from our credit with Pickleball Central.

IX. New Business

- a. Walt Holt believes the board should send out an email requesting three questions:
1. Continue to add membership as we have in past, no change (shooting ourselves in the foot)
 2. Should cap the membership at 501, until more courts are added.
 3. Cap the membership at 450, putting extreme pressure on sales.-Let Pulte know of our decision
 4. A decision was made to get a committee together to come up with a stop gap plan.
- b. Need Volunteers for a Stop Gap Committee:

After much discussion among members at the Annual Business Meeting, it was decided that in addition to the committee that will be working on the court utilization plan, we need a second committee to lead a grass roots effort to tackle the lack of court space we will have until the new courts are constructed in 2017. This Stop Gap Committee will develop and help execute a plan to raise the level of awareness the community, the CA and the Developer have about the dilemma and our proposed solutions. Some examples that have been tossed out include a letter writing campaign, a petition, communicating through neighborhood reps, and an article for the insert to the Georgetown Sun. A sub-group of the committee, led by Barb Patterson, will research the pickleball facilities at other Sun City developments built by Pulte and other retirement communities/resorts.

c.. Election of Officers:

1. David Laird recognized the members of the nominating committee. The nominees for the 2016 officers are Don Hayes for Vice President and Peg O'Toole for Player Development.
2. A motion was made by Joe Lish to accept the Candidates presented by David Laird, Nominating Committee Chairperson, and it was seconded by Danny Ballard. All were in favor.

X. Adjournment