

SUN CITY PICKLEBALL CLUB GENERAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2017

COWAN CREEK-JARRELL- WALBURG ROOM

Call to Order - a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by Bob Hutchins

Welcome remarks - Hutch welcomed members and asked for approval of the March 13, 2017 Board minutes. Sharon Douglas moved to approve the minutes, and Alice Bower seconded the motion. There was unanimous approval.

Vice President, Bill Chalmers reported as of July 5, 2017 we have 546 members in the club. A question was asked how many members were in the tennis club. A guess was around 300. Will Saunders stated the numbers in other surrounding tennis clubs were going down as well.

Treasurer, Kathy Goodall, gave a financial report stating as of June 30, 2017 the club has a fund balance of \$10,853.20, and year to date total revenue is \$7,050.00. Kathy stated the club does not pay for any expenses for club members to go to tournaments.

Director of Player Development, Peg O'Toole, gave a report on training and leagues. To date this year 134 participated in the "Introduction to Pickleball" and of those, 86 have joined (64%). The Spring League had 102 members participate. Leagues will begin again in September. The advanced group will move back to Friday, and the intermediate group will be on Wednesdays. The "drop in" league seems to be successful. Peg said to email her if there were comments or suggestions. Peg said it was suggested that referee training be given and the referees could referee the leagues benefitting the players as well as the referees.

Pocket D'Haeseleer asked if there was a way to compensate the trainers as they put in many long hours. Suggestions followed: Nancy Grafton suggested a drawing for pickleball equipment, Pat Hall suggested a pot luck for volunteers, Bill Treadway said paying membership dues is "Mickey Mouse." Wendy D'Entremont just wants to volunteer just to make the club grow.

Kathy Carr thanked the board for her jug and would like more containers for the courts.

Communications Director, Barb Patterson, said she has nothing to report but asked members to take pictures and send to her for her publications.

Secretary, Judy Blackman, reported we had five accidents since our last meeting. Will Saunders asked if we could site how long the members had been playing. Judy told him the four reports she had were veteran players, and the one Hutch had was a relatively new player.

Maintenance Director, Bob Cleaver, reported he replaced the clock on court 1, and new nets and ties were replaced on courts 1 - 4. It was brought up that one of the blue foam rollers needs replacing.

Hutch gave a report on Simone/Simon as Lee Miller was absent. Lee recently cleaned rollers on both machines and the electrical connections. If there are problems with

the machines, let Lee know. Several people have stated they like the new open policy. The prerequisite is you need to be trained to use the equipment.

Hutch thanked Toni and Kathy for the ice cream social and stated it Was a big success. Everyone agreed. Hutch asked members for other ideas. A discussion followed to include -

mixed doubles and pizza afterwards,

break down in small groups based on skill levels, an age tournament, i.e., 70 years old with a 50 years old, a Compass tournament.

It was asked if we could have tournaments and/or leagues with groups or communities outside of Sun City. General discussion followed. Barb said we might be able to do this when we have more courts available.

Barb said we need people to make the commitment to help with tournaments and social events. Hutch said a few of these ideas would be great for the Fall Tournament. Sharon Douglas volunteered to be the new Social Director. Wendy stated she would be glad to help.

New Business: Bylaws and Proposed Changes - Hutch went over the bylaws proposal and the reasoning behind the changes. A lengthy discussion followed concerning sanctions on members who disregard the code of conduct of the Pickleball Club.

Other Comments: Janice Cozart talked about the Pickleball Kids Camp and thanked all the volunteers. Sandy Piland asked about the new courts. Hutch said they are supposed to be completed by the end of the year.

Wendy made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded. Everyone agreed.