

# SCW PICKLEBALL CLUB

## BOARD MEETING

January 5, 2024

RHJ Social Hall

MEMBERS PRESENT: President Coke Schaefer, Vice President, Danielle Smith, Secretary Kathleen Derrick, Treasurer Larry Haas, OAL Jill Allyn, OAL Rickey Murrell, OAL Don Marshall.

The meeting was Called to order at 1:00 pm and Coke asked members to put away cell phones.

DECEMBER BOARD MEETING MINUTES – A motion to approve the December Board Meeting Minutes was made by Rickey Murrell and seconded by Don Marshall. Motion carried unanimously.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT – Peg Barcelo

- 439 members either renewed or joined in December to bring membership total to 1,908. There were 1,423 early renewals. The \$100 drawing winner for December early renewal will be announced at the January Board Meeting.

TREASURERS' REPORT – Larry Haas

- Treasurers' report was incomplete as information is being transferred from Pam Vermeer to Larry.
- Larry will have the new PB Club computer and printer on Monday, January 8.

PRESIDENTS' REPORT – Coke Schaefer

- CR-5 - Coke passed around a CR-5 to the Board to make sure contact information was correct.
- Operations Manual - The Operations Manual was approved last month and the new version is on the PB Club website. It was reduced from 129 pages to 42 pages.
- February Membership Meeting – The Membership Meeting in February will be Tuesday February 20 and it will be held in the RHJ Social Hall.
- Board Members email addresses – All Board members are required to use a SCWPB email address. Most have already made the conversion.
- Bylaw revisions – there was discussion on revising the bylaws to reflect changes made to the Operations Manual. This was tabled to next month.
- Club Survey - there was discussion on doing a member survey. Most questions can be addressed in the PB Club Newsletter. The topic was tabled.

- Poach Pickleball – Fits tournament committee was approached by Poach Pickleball concerning having Clinics for our PB members after the FITS tournament. Discussion followed and it was decided to table this until next year.
- Court Monitors – SCWPB Club is expected to begin providing monitors for the PB courts. We are going to begin slowly with monitors at DropIn play. Danielle volunteered to be coordinator for monitors. She said she will come up with a preliminary proposal.
- Liberty Lights – It has been verified that you are expected to turn off lights at the end of play. Also, wait 10 minutes after turning them on as they are halogen.
- Coke asked for input for the January 24 General Membership meeting.

#### VICE PRESIDENT – Danielle

- “Contact Us” – Danielle is getting many questions on the Contact Us site. She is feeling that it will be a very positive program.

#### SECRETARY – Kathleen Derrick

- Kathleen continues to try to find a Club Historian.

#### OAL FACILITIES – Rickey Murrell

- Rickey is busy organizing the Newcomers Table to be held at Palm Ridge on January 10. Many clubs will be represented for residents to come and see what the clubs offer.

#### OAL SOCIAL – Jill Allyn

- Modified Pickleball - Jill is working to make PB accessible to all members. It will be labeled as Modified Pickleball to better serve members with physical and/or mental challenges. The program will start January 15. A motion to approve the Modified PB program was made by Don Marshall and second by Kathleen Derrick. Motion carried unanimously.
- Club Shirts – This is something Jill would like to see developed. She has spoken with Barb Zeeman about the graphics. Don Marshall made a motion to go ahead with planning a Club shirt. Seconded by Danielle Smith. Motion carried unanimously.
- Volunteer Banquet – Plans are in place. This event is to recognize our many volunteers. There was discussion about special recognition for volunteers who contribute hundreds of hours.

#### OAL PROGRAMMER – Don Marshall

- Lobster Ball Machine – The Lobster ball machine needs to be replaced with a Tudor. All of our ball machines will then be Tudor which will simplify care and maintenance. A new machine will cost approximately \$1,600. The purchase will need membership approval. A motion was made by Danielle Smith to present the purchase of a new Tudor ball

machine to the PB Club membership at the Membership meeting on January 24. The motion was seconded by Rickey Murrell and carried unanimously.

- Maximum number of courts per group – Don has been getting requests to exceed the maximum number of courts from 10 due to large turnout of players for the Picklers group. He is requesting permission to expand as necessary to accommodate large numbers of players. A motion was made by Kathleen Derrick to increase the number of courts needed for the 2.0 to 3.0 mixed Round Robin Social (Picklers) group. Seconded by Rickey Murrell. Motion carried unanimously.
- Major League Pickleball – MLP is the format being used by Pickleskills. This involved drills followed by a tournament for the women's 4.0 group. This was well received except for the Drills portion. They are looking to expand the program to include other groups and genders. They are looking to expand to Sunday afternoons twice a month. A motion was made by Larry Haas to approve MLP play. Seconded by Danielle Smith. Motion carried unanimously.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- Gaylynn Roth representing the 3.0 to 3.5 ladies Round Robin Social group on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10am to 12 at Sands court. She is requesting more courts for her group. They are currently assigned 5 courts and normally have 30+ players. Discussion followed regarding the use of some of the DropIn courts for group play. Don will develop a plan to cut back on DropIn courts which are generally underutilized (except on Saturday) and increase the number of courts for group play.
- There was discussion regarding the purchase of two Tudor ball machines instead of one. It was decided not to purchase two at this time.
- There was further discussion about Club Shirts. A previous shirt design for the FITS tournament was suggested for a Club shirt. Jill will follow up.
- Demographics – there was discussion about grouping residents by age but that was dismissed as unattainable due to no accurate records of age are available.

ADJOURN – A motion to adjourn was made by Dan Marshall and seconded by Danielle Smith. Motion carried unanimously.