

Pickle Ball Board Meeting

March 9, 2016

Board Members Present:

President Marty Rubin, Vice President Ron Slagle, Secretary Peggy Holt, Treasurer Nancee George, Membership Katie Bloom. Publicity Director Mike Gardner, Training Director Cal Meissen, Tournament Director Rein Lemberg.

Quorum:

Quorum established.

Approval of November Minutes:

It was moved by Nancee George and seconded by Ron Slagle to approve the February minutes.

President's Report:

Marty gave an update on the court project. The lighting is completed, but the resurfacing will be a 3 day process, to be scheduled when the temperature is near 80 degrees. Ron Slagle added that the existing cracks and divots will be filled, sanding will be done and striping will be re-done. The completion date was to be the end of March; however, the rain will likely cause another delay. In the meantime, the courts are playable and being used happily by all.

A letter written by Mark Gardner to thank the Sun City Association Board for their efforts on the behalf of our Club was read by Mike. It was moved by Ron Slagle and seconded by Katie Bloom to send this letter to the Board as well as to Chris O Keefe and Cesar Orozco. Both were instrumental in shepherding this project along. In addition to a thanks for their assistance, we are also inviting them to attend our upcoming celebration social, planned for March 19.

Board Reports:

Treasurer:

Nancy George presented the budget standing as of today. (see attached)

Armando Mayorga has taken the initiative of ordering Dry Erase Markers in bulk for the club at a substantial savings.

It was then suggested that we seek someone to take responsibility for doing a weekly inventory of supplies in the storage cabinet and keep them up to date. Katie volunteered to accept this additional job!

Rein moved and Ron seconded a motion to approve the Financial Report.

Membership:

Katie Bloom reported that we have over 400 members.

She also reported to the Board an incident that occurred at Court Side that has potential for an unfavorable impression about our Club in the broader community. There was a discussion about this incident and implications for us: courtesy, inclusion, spirit of good will. Ron Slagle has already drafted and sent a letter on our behalf in response to this incident.

There followed a lengthier discussion about our own club's procedures relating to the same issue of foursome play: benefits and resulting problems created with the current foursome process. It is the consensus that we need to encourage some modifications to the existing format in order to accommodate singles experiencing lengthy waits as foursomes continue to indefinitely by-pass singles waiting signed up on the board.

Social:

Marilyn McCullough reported that we will be having a Spring Social on March 16 from 6-9 at the courts. It will be a celebration of the court projects (especially the new lights). Members will be asked to bring a dessert to share and enjoy open play on our new lighted courts.

Marilyn also reported on the Summer Social plans. The June 1 party will be held in the Orchard Creek Ballroom. It will have a Western theme and include a Bar B Q buffet, entertainment with a variety of Country Dances. Our club has access to the facility from 5:30-9:00 pm.

The Holiday Party date is December 7.

Publicity:

Mike Gardner reported that he has been in contact with the *Lincoln Messenger* about including pickle ball information in that publication in the near future.

Committee Reports:

Ladder:

No report.

Tournament:

Rein reported on the latest status of the upcoming tournaments. schedule.

The Rookie Tournaments will be held with no entry fees for participants and will require the use of only 2 courts. (It is hoped that this tournaments will encourage new members to play and to become acquainted with each other.)

The topic of food at the tournaments was again addressed. We need to find a chair/coordinator for the purchase and set up of food at tournaments. Also, we addressed how food costs will be covered. It was decided that the registration costs will be used to cover food at the tournaments.

PB 101 Training:

Armando reported for Andrea that Pickle Ball 101 will start in June, and Drill with Simon begins this month on march 23 at 4 PM.

Training classes:

Cal and Barry began their classes over the last 2 weeks.

3.5 Rated Classes:

No new report.

Old Business:

Ron Slagle reported that the new sign up board has been finalized and submitted to Chris O Keefe. It s scheduled to be completed by the end of March.

Mona made a final recommendation on the use of the remaining Recycling Funds . She requests that the additional \$500.00 be allocated to the scholarship fund for Lincoln High School.

Mike Gardner moved and Ron seconded a motion to increase the donation from \$1,000 to \$1,1500

New Business:

Mike Gardner suggested that a member of the Pickle Ball Club should be a participant on the Lincoln Hills Community Strategic Initiative Task Force. Craig Fraser explained that it is the sub

committee that we should have a volunteer participate in. The sub committee will be studying and making recommendations on future community expansion plans looking 3-5 years down the road. Craig also intends to volunteer as a “community” member at large on this committee. Rein Lemberg volunteered to pursue becoming a pickle ball representative on this committee. Thanks to Rein.

Next meeting:

April 13, 2016 at 2:00 pm at Orchard Creek Lodge, Ceramics Room.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Ron Slagle and seconded by Mike Gardner. Meeting adjourned at 3:13.