GVR PICKLEBALL CLUB BOARD MEETING

November 14, 2018 – East Center Lounge – 6:00 p.m.

President, Jeff Harrell, called the meeting to order. Additional Board members present were: VP Mark Robertson, Treasurer Donna Talarski, Secretary Pam Goodrich, Member at Large Mark McIntosh which constituted a quorum.

Minutes from the October 10, 2018 board meeting were approved.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Donna Talarski reported the club checking account balance is \$8,146.12. The reserve savings account balance is \$55,855.47 which does not include Foundation contributions.

Old Business:

Pickleball Olympics: Mark M. reported that the Olympics have been postponed due to East Center court renovations. Instead, the Olympics will be held on April 14, 2019.

Round Robin Sign Up Policy: Mark R. initiated a discussion related to use of our courts that would accommodate the greatest number of players. Currently, participation in these events varies which leaves courts available during some of the Round Robins/Shootouts. It was decided that the schedule will remain the same through December. However, when there are courts available, members may ask the coordinators for approval to play on empty courts.

Club Policy Manual Revision: Paul May suggested some minor changes to the Club Policy regarding skill ratings. It was decided to keep the current wording.

GRVPC/GVR/GVRF Agreement: It was agreed to place further discussion related to this topic on hold until a later date.

Ball Usage Fee: Paul May pointed out the mounting cost of pickleball replacements and the fact that non-members/guests do not contribute to that cost. Several suggestions were made and discussed followed by a decision to initiate a pilot project for guest/non-member sign in and donation to offset the cost of ball replacement. This item will be placed on next month's agenda for further discussion.

New Business:

Temporary Courts for East Center: Donna Coon announced that this project is on schedule to begin November 19th. The new court schedules are posted on our website. Four temporary courts will be established on the East Center Tennis Courts which will be taped for pickleball use. Volunteers will be utilized for cleaning and taping the courts.

Education Committee Proposal: Carol Hammerle began by presenting the Board with a spreadsheet indicating the progression of skill-based classes currently available to members. The committee has met to discuss court availability, the ongoing desire to provide classes, and a proposal to equalize the member cost of classes by charging an hourly rate of \$10.00. We were reminded that instructors receive 70% of the revenue with the remaining 30% going to GVR. It was noted that all instructors are not employees of GVR and that they are considered independent contractors. Following further discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and

passed that the Board recognizes the Education Committee is in charge of the educational program and that they are responsible to set pricing accordingly. The Board asked to be kept apprised of scheduling and other pertinent changes.

Online Donations for New Courts: Carol H. relayed that those participating in her Improve Your Game Drills would like to make donations and asked for suggestions regarding that process. Several comments were discussed including the establishment of a 'go fund me' page linked to the Foundation which Dean Beilke could create on our website. Additionally, individuals can place donations in the pickleball box at East. It was stressed that all checks be made out to the Foundation and could be mailed directly to the Foundation.

Renneson Clinics: Quail Creek contacted Jeff regarding our interest in hosting pickleball clinics held by Mark Renneson. There was a consensus to allow for these trainings to be held on our courts from March 18-19, 2019 for the purpose of providing personal clinics to configurations of individuals ranging from 1-8 persons per clinic.

Procedures for Board Member Email Discussions: Donna T. suggested that, when Board voting takes place through email, each member always 'Reply All' when voting. Thus allowing each of us to see how others are voting. There was agreement to this motion.

Member Comments:

There was a request for clarification related to the cut off times when members from one level of play transition to another. Each group should be mindful/respectful of those transition times. When possible, it is suggested that players be allowed to complete their game before exiting the court(s).

New, enlarged Round Robin/Shootout charts have been designed by John Nelson. Thanks to John for his efforts. The charts will be laminated and ready to use this week.

Carol H. and Jeff underscored the continued importance of our attendance at GVR meetings. Jeff placed specific emphasis on our attendance at the following upcoming meetings:

12/04/18 GVR Board Meeting at 1:30 p.m. – Budget Discussion

12/13/18 Presentation – New Design – Pickleball Center

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Goodrich, Secretary