Green Valley Recreation Pickleball Club Board of Directors Meeting Thursday, November 10, 2022 – 3 pm – East Center Lounge

1. Roll Call - Janet Reynolds.

Present: Mary Wright, Mike McCarry, Patrick Furumoto, Paul May, Mike Clemons, Janet Reynolds

Absent: Bev Lauby

Members in attendance in order of Sign-in:

Mike & Kim Vincent, Lynn Shinnick, Lynn Knight, Patty Calvor, Jayn Nelson, Mary Furumoto, Kirk Cross, Sue Kazmier, Laurie Bratvala, Karen & Doug Richardson, Dan Kutella, Del Bomberger, Carla Ritchie, Greg Wright, Dean Beilke

2. Motion to Approve 10/13/2022 Meeting Minutes - Reynolds

2nd - McCarry

Passed Unanimously

3. **Motion** to Add a new item to the agenda: Add a point "c" to the Agenda- to create a PB Club FaceBook page, under New Business - Mary Wright

2nd - Reynolds

Passed unanimously

4. Motion to approve Treasurer's Report - Reynolds

		May1-May31	Jun1Jun30	Jul1Jul31	Aug1Aug31	Sept1-30	October 31	May -Oct 2022
Beginning (Checking Balance	\$19,960.71	\$14,012.80	\$13,357.31	\$13,409.36	\$12,596.81	\$11,964.90	-
Revenue								
	dues paper	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$75.00	\$165.00
	dues online	\$165.00	\$30.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$570.00	\$945.00
	name badges	\$400.00						\$400.00
	interest							\$0.00
	donations	\$36.75						\$36.75
	sample clothing sales						\$40.00	\$40.00
		\$661.75	\$30.00	\$60.00	\$90.00	\$60.00	\$685.00	\$1,586.75
<u>Expenses</u>								
	Pickleballs		\$569.37		\$679.00	\$537.15	685.36	2470.88
	clothing	\$305.00						\$305.00
	court supplies	\$5,177.84	\$109.65		\$6.89	\$85.00	233.78	\$5,613.16
	website	\$230.93	\$4.99	\$4.99	\$213.70	\$3.74	3.74	\$462.09
	stripe fees	\$8.14	\$1.48	\$2.96	\$2.96	\$2.96	28.86	\$47.36
	bank fees	\$46.75						\$46.75
	insurance	\$841.00						\$841.00
	social					\$63.06		63.06
		\$6,609.66	\$685.49	\$7.95	\$902.55	\$691.91	\$951.74	\$9,849.30
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Revenue less expenses		(\$5,947.91)				\$ (631.91)		
End of month checking balance		\$14,012.80	\$13,357.31	\$13,409.36	\$12,596.81	\$11,964.90	\$11,698.16	
	Reveue less expenses)							
end of month savings balance		\$28,722.12	\$28,722.35	\$28,722.57	\$28,722.83		28,723.30	
Cash in Bank end of month		\$42,734.92	\$42,079.66	\$42,131.93	\$41,319.64	\$40,687.96	\$40,421.46	

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2nd - McCarry Passed unanimously

5. Old Business - No old Business

6. New Business

Motion to edit the Policy Manual Motion (below) by eliminating the word "not" in Section 6 (h) (ii) Step 2. The 3rd bullet point will now read:

-The Testee will be notified if they passed the SKills test after the finishing of the Games test portion.

Motion made by - Clemons

2nd McCarry

Passed unanimously

a. **Policy Manual** - **Motion** to approve the Policy Manual Updates for 6. Ratings, 7. Paddle decibels, and 8. Merchandise & Equipment. - Mike Clemons

2nd - Mary Wright

Passed Unanimously

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Policy Manual

6. Club Skill Ratings are managed by the Ratings Committee.

a. The goal of the rating process is to build a culture accepting of achieving higher-level skills, not just the ability to win a game.

i. The Club provides ratings evaluation via the Ratings Committee from approximately October 15 through April 30 each year. During that time period:

1. A member's initial rating is to be set at 2.0 or 2.5 once the member has completed Pickleball 101 or Developing Skills classes. Primary Instructors (designated by GVRPC) may recommend assigning a level up to 2.5 at the request of the member. The Ratings Committee will review the recommendation, make a determination and notify the Club Secretary when a change should be entered into the member's Directory profile.

2. Members desiring to be evaluated to advance to a higher skill level will follow a three (3) step process:

3. Part 1: USAPA rules test. Required to proceed to the second step of testing. The basic goal of this requirement is to demonstrate that the Testee has some knowledge of the rules and also knows where

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to find the rules of Pickleball. Taking the USAPA rules test does not require a minimum score to pass. However, evidence of taking the test will need to be provided to the GVRPC Ratings Coordinator. Emailing the score received to the Ratings Coordinator fulfills this requirement.

4. Part 2: Skills test. Passing is required to proceed to the third step of testing. Progressing through the various ratings requires improving the proficiency of various skills and being able to demonstrate the skills verifies this proficiency. In order to remain as objective as possible the skills test is modeled after IPTPA recommendations and how they test. As with the IPTPA, a passing combined score for all skills tested is required. It should be noted that you could get zero points for a particular skill that can be offset by scoring high in another skill. Each skill level has its own criteria for passing. Rating specific proficiency and not perfection is the goal of this test. In essence, Part 2 is a filter for determining the minimum skills required to play at the next higher level. Demonstrating a skill under controlled conditions is different than actually using that skill in a game appropriately to either defend or gain advantage:

5. Part 3: Game play skills and ability to score points. The main purpose of Part 3 is for the Testee to demonstrate their skills in three games to 8 points with players that are at the level they are aspiring to.

6. The combination of the Skills Evaluation plus the three (3) Games to 8 Points Evaluation will determine if the candidate passes. Passing Score is Composed of 60% Skill Evaluation plus 40% Game Points Won. Current forms outlining the skills along with responses to frequently asked questions are located in the Ratings section of the website.

ii. In the event a new club member is an experienced player, the member will provide documentation of their USAP/UTPR/IPTPA/WPR rating or their current club rating from an organized club to the Ratings Committee for consideration. For the other club's rating to be considered, the other organized club must have a formal rating process that can be reviewed by the GVRPC. In addition, the other club's goals and requirements must align with the goals of the GVRPC in order to be considered. The other club's documentation must be sent directly to the GVRPC for review. A simple letter from the other club, whether from a member or an officer, stating the other club's member's rating is not sufficient to begin consideration. The Ratings Committee shall make a determination based upon the submitted documentation and their observations of the new club member's play.

b. The Club provides rating evaluation via Primary Instructors from approximately May 1 through October 14 each year for those members desiring to advance their skill level from 2.0 to 2.5. During that time period:

c. At a member's request Primary Instructors may observe a member's play and recommend to the Ratings Committee a skill level up to 2.5.

d. All recommendations will be documented by the Primary Instructors and/or Club President's designee and provided to the Ratings Committee. The Ratings Committee will review the recommendation, make a determination and notify the Club Secretary when a change should be entered into the member's Directory profile.

e. A four (4) week interval shall be observed between unsuccessful attempts.

f. Members desiring to move down a skill level can submit a private request to the Ratings Committee at any time.

g. GVRPC shall accept member ratings from IPTPA, USAP, UTPR, WPR, and outside organized clubs upon

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a club member's request to the Ratings Committee. Members shall be responsible for providing documentation or club contact information. If members opt to use the IPTPA system, the member is responsible for all fees associated with the evaluation. If members opt to use their UTPR or WPR rating, the highest rating for doubles play is to be used.

- 6. Club Skill Ratings
- a. Club Skill Ratings are Managed by the Ratings Committee
- b. Rationale and Definition of Ratings

i. Pickleball ratings are defined by USAP (USA Pickleball) and are used to evaluate and designate the abilities of a pickleball player. These ratings can be used to help find players who play at a comparable level to make play enjoyable and, as appropriate, competitive.

ii. The Club's ratings rationale and process are not exactly the same but are informed by elements from the USAP and the IPTPA (International Pickleball Teaching Professional Association).

iii. The goal of the GVRPC ratings system is intended to allow the scheduling and management of the 36 court complex while building a culture accepting of achieving higher-level skills, not just the ability to win a game.

c. A member's initial rating is described as follows:

i. 1.5 for beginners with no prior pickleball experience

ii. 2.0 for players who know how to keep score, knowledge of the basic rules, have the basic strokes, or has completed Pickleball 101 class.

iii. 2.5 for players with previous pickleball experience or may have a higher rating from another Club, IPTPA, or USA Pickleball (Quarterly UTPR).

d. The Club provides rating evaluation for 1.5 & 2.0 players via Primary Instructors/Coaches while attending Developing Skills or GVR Pickleball classes.

e. For experienced players joining the GVRPC as new members and have a rating above 2.5, the member shall send an email to: greenvalleypickleballclub@gmail.com documenting their Quarterly UTPR, IPTPA rating, or their current club rating from an organized club to the Ratings Committee for consideration.

i. For another club's rating to be considered, the other organized club must have a formal rating process that can be reviewed by the GVRPC. In addition, the other club's goals and requirements must align with the goals of the GVRPC in order to be considered. The other club's documentation must be sent directly to the GVRPC for review. Simply listing a rating without explanation of process is not sufficient. The Ratings Committee shall make a determination based upon the submitted documentation and their observations of the new club member's play.

ii. The following ratings are not accepted by the Club: DUPR, WPR.

iii. The GVRPC will accept USAP's UTPR (tournament derived), IPTPA, and possibly other club skill ratings as GVRPC skill ratings. However, GVRPC ratings are not accepted as USAP or IPTPA skill ratings by these

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organizations.

iv. IPTPA testing can be scheduled directly through the IPTPA website for a fee.

f. RAP - Rating Assessment, Demo & Practice sessions are conducted during the rating period. These are optional (not required to sign up for a rating test) sessions for a player, who will be given the applicable skills test and learn how to play ghost doubles.

i. Highly recommended at least 2 weeks prior to the Rating Test to identify which skills to concentrate on during practice. You will receive a copy of the skills test.

ii. Sign up in Pickleball Plus is required to attend.

iii. Testees are limited to 1 sign up per rating season.

g. The Club provides ratings evaluation via the Ratings Committee from approximately October 15 through April 30 each year.

h. Members desiring to be evaluated to advance to a higher skill level can follow the Club's Skills Rating two step process.

i. Step 1: Player Rules Test

Take the online USA Pickleball Player Rules Test.

----Upon completion of the test, the member will receive an email from USAP with the results.

---The member shall forward this email to greenvalleypickleballclub@gmail.com.

---Once this confirmation is received by the Club, the requestor will be added to a group of members eligible to register for available testing slots for Skills/Game Test.

NOTE: You do not have to be a member of USA Pickleball to take the test. When registering for the test, simply leave the USAP field number blank. The Club does not require a passing score for the test as it is weighted toward tournament play and we realize that this will not be the reality for a majority of our players. The aim for this element is to ensure that club members know how to access the official rules of pickleball and have been exposed to interpretations of various play scenarios.

ii. Step 2: Skills and Game Tests - Register (limited to those who have been placed in the eligible group) via Pickleball.Plus having submitted rules test results.

---The skills test will be conducted first, then followed immediately by the game test.

---Each skills test will have a minimum passing score depending upon the skill level.

---The Testee will not be notified if they passed the Skills Test after the finishing of the Game Test portion.

(a) Skills Test details: A number of different skills will be tested. Each skill is assigned an X number of attempts and a minimum target number of successful attempts. In order to remain as objective as possible, the skills test is modeled after IPTPA recommendations and how they test. A passing combined score for all skills tested is required. It should be noted that you could get zero points for a particular skill

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that can be offset by scoring high in another skill. Each skill level has its own criteria for passing.

(b) Game Test details: The format for the game test will consist of two players on the court playing "ghost doubles" as defined by the IPTPA. Three games to 11 points, rally scoring, and changing ends at 6 points. 23 total points for the 3 games will be required to pass.

The Testee will play the games as follows:

Scenario #1: 3 Testees – Each will play against 2 Testees and 1 Control Player

Scenario #2: 2 Testees – Each will play against 1 Testees and the Control Player Twice

Scenario #3: 1 Testee - Will play against the Control 3 times.

(c) To be successful, a Testee must pass both the Skills and Game Tests. They will be informed after completing the game test, whether they passed the skills test and game test.

(d) If either test is not passed, then the Skills and Game Tests will need to be taken again.

i. Current forms outlining the skills along with responses to frequently asked questions are located in the Ratings section of the website.

j. A month interval shall be observed between unsuccessful skill/game attempts.

k. Testees will have a limit of 2 skill/game attempts per skill level during the rating year (October – April).

I. Testee needs to email GVRPC if they want to skip a skill level and test at the next higher level.

m. Members desiring to move down a skill level can submit a private request to the Ratings Committee at any time.

7. Paddle decibel levels are not officially governed by GVRPC, but the club does provide recommendations published by the USA Pickleball Association (USAPA) for paddles that are approved for USAPA Sanctioned Tournaments. Current information is published on the club website.

78. Merchandise and Equipment Purchases

a. All GVRPC logoed merchandise is ordered and distributed by designated GVRPC representatives. Ordering and distribution records are maintained to verify that funds are collected and forwarded to GVRPC accurately. GVRPC logo merchandise may be ordered online using the designated vendor.

b. The purchase of all court equipment not provided by GVR is to be authorized by the Board or a Board designee, prior to ordering and reimbursement is to be made when proper documentation is submitted.

c. Inventory of all on-hand equipment and supplies is to be maintained regularly. These processes are to be managed by the chair of the Court Management Committee.

C. New Business - **Motion** to Create a PB Club Facebook page - M. Wright 2nd - Furumoto

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Passed unanimously

Motion to add Facebook page Guidelines to Club Policy Manual - McCarry 2nd - P. May

Passed unanimously

- 8. Facebook
 - a. Facebook purpose/goal: To provide a social media platform for the Club and its members:
 - i. Posts about members, their pickleball adventures, events of interest, and the like.
 - ii. Pickleball articles, posts, videos of interest to members.
 - iii. General Club announcements, events, pickleball related items for sale
 - iv. Promoting other products/services/pros/etc. of general interest to its members.
 - b. The Facebook page will be a closed group.
 - c. The Club Board will approve the Facebook page.
 - d. Membership will be for a GVR Pickleball Club member in good standing.
 - e. Guidelines for posting
 - i. Appropriate topics relate to the GVR Pickleball Club, GVR club related, pickleball, general interest to Club members, member pickleball adventures, and the like.
 - ii. Inappropriate topics: Please no posts related to political, religious, personal attacks, or other controversial topics.
 - iii. Inappropriate postings: Use of inappropriate language, threatening language or is offensive to others.
 - iv. If a post is a question or comment to the Club, then it will be forwarded to the appropriate member to respond and may be handled through email and not facebook.
 - v. Pickleball related items for sale may be posted. Individuals will handle the transaction privately according to GVR policy, not through the Club..
 - f. Administrators will:
 - i. Approve member requests to join the Facebook group.
 - ii. Monitor posts to ensure they are appropriate and meet the acceptable posting guidelines.
 - iii. If a post violates the posting guidelines, they are authorized to delete a post.
 - iv. Directs posts with a question or comment to the Club to the appropriate member.
 - v. Able to remove/block a member who has a history of inappropriate posts.
 - vi. Remove from the Facebook group page canceled and inactive GVR Pickleball Club members.
 - 6. Board Comments
 - 7. Committee Comments
 - 8. Member Comments
 - 9. Closing Comments
 - 10. Next Board Meeting: Thursday, December 8, 2022, 3pm, East Center Lounge

Adjourn 4:08pm