

GVR PICKLEBALL CLUB BOARD MEETING

October 9, 2019 – East Center – Lounge

Vice President, Gina Rowsam, called the meeting to order. Additional Board members present were: Treasurer Donna Talarski, Members at Large Sandy Heintz, Mark McIntosh; and Secretary Pam Goodrich which constituted a quorum.

Gina opened the meeting by acknowledging the hard work of Jeff Harrell, President, and passed around a tablet asking that members express their well wishes to Jeff.

Gina also passed around the newly developed and printed Pickleball Club business cards which will be utilized when introducing the club to new members, visitors, etc.

Sandy made a motion which was seconded by Donna that the minutes from the September 11, 2019 Board meeting be approved as corrected with the accurate spelling of 'Blumenthal'. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Donna reported that the club checking account balance is \$8,630.26 while our savings reserve account amount is \$1,056.88. Money in escrow totals \$349,921.35. A motion was made by Pam to approve the Treasurer's report. The motion was seconded by Sandy and approved by the Board.

Monthly Report – Ball Inventory and Usage: No report

Update on New Courts: Donna Coon reported that the construction of the Pickleball Complex is on schedule. The septic drain field is covered; electrical is being brought forward; court construction vendor has arrived; and, courts are being staked. She addressed concerns regarding the lack of shades, especially during the Senior Games. Donna stated that, if need be, GVR will rent shade for that event. Donna also mentioned that the posts to support shades have been installed which will allow for the ease of installation of shades in the future. Additionally, WiFi will be available at the courts. Those present expressed their appreciation to Donna for her work on this project.

Unanimous Consent: No business

Old Business:

Conduct Expectations/Policy Manual Revisions: Gina read the proposed policy. Several questions and potential scenarios were presented by those members who were present. Following discussion, a motion to approve this policy was made by Pam and seconded by Sandy. The motion passed.

New Business:

Call for Nominating Committee Volunteers: Donna T. explained that, historically, this committee has been comprised of 1 Board member and 2 members from the Pickleball Club. Donna has led this committee for the past several years and is stepping down from that position this year. However, she offered to work along-side and mentor the newly formed committee. She reiterated that two volunteers from the membership will be needed. Those volunteering should be computer-literate and able to set up files. The process and timeline are spelled out in the Bylaws. Donna verified that voting at the 2020 annual meeting will be by paper ballots.

Education Committee Updates: Sandy introduced the new tri-fold brochure and flyer that are ready for use and distribution. The primary purpose of the brochure is to describe each of the educational opportunities available. Sandy also announced the upcoming pickleball referee training to be held at the East Center on October 24, 2019. Charlotte Jorgensen will provide this training which will include three hours of classroom instruction followed by up to four hours of practical training on the courts. Sign Up Genius is being utilized for those interested in participating.

Safety Training: This item was tabled.

Urgent Business:

Lee Nordhagen introduced the topic of focused play and round robin play as they pertain to those with USAPA (USA Pickleball Association), UTPR (USAPA Tournament Player Rating), legacy and/or IPTPA (International Pickleball Teaching Professional Association) ratings. He referred to the Special Board Meeting held on July 15, 2019, at which time it was stipulated that focus play would be utilized as a time to 'play up' and improve skills while those signing up for round robins are to play within their designated levels. He noted that the current policy can be found on Sign Up Genius. It was acknowledged that the UTPR rating can fluctuate frequently and that these fluctuations should not have a direct effect on club ratings. Lee announced that club rating evaluations will begin on October 15, 2019.

Comments:

It was noted that the timeline for Intercommunity (IC) play has expired. There was a request that this be stated in the next PickleBlast.

Pam reported that, as of October 1, 2019, membership renewals are being accepted for 2020. Membership forms are available online, at East Center, and at Canoa.

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Goodrich, Secretary