

## GVR PICKLEBALL CLUB BOARD MEETING

April 10, 2019 – East Center – Lounge

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

Minutes from the February 13, 2019 Board meeting were approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Donna Talarski reported the club checking account balance is \$7,856.29. Our club savings reserve amount is \$79,755.34 which includes funds raised from the golf tournament and the ± Dinkqtee shirt sales. Donna stated we do not have a final tally for the amount raised for the GVR foundation but estimated \$30.00 per person (76 people). The silent auction netted \$1,780; \$1,482 was raised through buckets and 50/50; while the live auction captured \$3,720; all of which total approximately \$6,982. Additionally, \$1,102 was raised through ticket sales. Donna estimated total proceeds of between \$9,000 and \$10,000. The Treasurer's report was approved.

### **Old Business:**

**IC Play in 2019:** Mark Robertson presented a proposed schedule for IC which would, again, include alternating weeks with Quail Creek. A start date was suggested as May 28<sup>th</sup> at East (June 4<sup>th</sup> at Quail Creek) from 6:00-9:00 p.m. and would include the following schedule:

Tuesday: 4.0 (4 courts)

Tuesday: 4.5/5.0 (2 courts East Center only) . by invitation only

Wednesday: 3.5 (4 courts)

Friday: 3.0 (4 courts)

Saturday: 2.5 (4 courts)

Registration would be coordinated through Sign Up Genius and be limited to 18 players maximum. As with last year, Tucson players would be welcome as well. Those players registering for IC this year (3.0 and above) would be required to meet one of the following criteria: 1) have a USAPA rating; 2) have an IPTPA rating; or, 3) have consistently played in a published tournament at a specified level. 2.5 players would register to play if they have been or are involved in player/skill development. Mark further noted that a ball donation of \$5.00 per player per event would be required. A question arose regarding the occasion that a player might have two different USAPA ratings. Suzanne Nordhagen explained that the higher of the two ratings would be used. Mark R. also requested two additional courts on Friday nights for his drills/skills class which would begin the first week of May.

While on the topic of court scheduling, Donna C. reported that the scheduling committee will be meeting to consider all requests. She mentioned that GVR requires a designated number of hours be available to all GVR members during open play. The scheduling committee will be developing the summer schedule which will tentatively begin May 15<sup>th</sup>.

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the IC play proposal with suggested parameters of ratings and skill levels. The motion was unanimously approved.

### **New Business:**

**Day/Time of Board Meetings:** A short discussion was held regarding a change. It was felt by all that the current arrangement is satisfactory. We will continue to meet the second Wednesday of each month with the exception of our annual meeting in March, 2020.

**Committee Chairs for 2019:** Another brief discussion ensued re: those who would be willing to serve as 2019 committee chairpersons. Previous chairpersons are giving this due consideration.

**Ratings Committee:** Suzanne and Lee Nordhagen introduced the topic of USAPA/UTPR ratings. They described that those rated within this system are given a new set of two-digit numbers quarterly. All are encouraged to email quarterly changes to the Club Secretary who will update member profiles and notify

the ratings committee members. Suzanne noted that a screen shot would be helpful when verifying quarterly changes. Again, screen shots would be emailed to the Club Secretary.

Candidate balloting . Policy Manual/Bylaw Revisions: Jeff reflected on our desire to encourage greater participation at our annual meetings. He will form a committee to review our voting procedures. Nina Campfield and Gina volunteered to assist with this project.

Educational Committee Update: Carol Hammerle provided a detailed written and verbal report regarding the proposed growth of educational opportunities. She noted the creative efforts and energy of those who participated in the April 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. Carol called our attention to specific curriculum changes and recommendations related to Pickleball (PB) 101 and Developing Skills. The fourth session of PB 101 will be devoted to a tournament or round robin setting which would simultaneously include the training of officials. Additionally, Sandy Heintz will be developing an assessment tool. Instructors will include Karen Riley, Sandy Heintz, and Donna Davis. Bob Seaman has agreed to be the lead coach for Developing Skills. He will be recruiting a coaching team. One goal for both classes will be curriculum consistency/progression. Carol highlighted slighter changes in PB 201/202 and Play Smart Pickleball. She also announced a pilot class in early 2020 devoted to developing specific skills related to the Helle Sparre System. These classes will be included in the Fall/Winter GVR Catalog. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the proposal presented by the Educational Committee.

#### **Urgent Business:**

Fundraising . Senior Games: Louise Bouck raised an issue regarding approximately \$900.00 that was raised through the bake sale led by Karen Riley. A lengthy discussion was held regarding the desired use of these funds. One option is for the PB Club to hold this money which would be utilized to optimize the goody bags given out to those playing in the 2020 Senior Games. Another option is to have GVR continue to be responsible for the goody bags and to place these funds in our reserve account. Louise noted that tentative dates of February 25<sup>th</sup> to the 31<sup>st</sup> have been set for next year's Senior Games. Donna Davis is currently negotiating those dates with GVR and Quail Creek. It was suggested that, perhaps, next year's Senior Games might be held in our new pickleball complex. A motion was made and seconded that the pickleball club accept the \$900.00 from Karen to be held in a separate account. That motion was amended to state that the funds would be designated as a separate line item. The motion failed. These funds will be added to our reserve account.

#### **Member Comments:**

Gary Heintz reminded us of the meeting tomorrow at 9:00 at the East Center. He noted that the meeting will be chaired by the Green Valley Council. WSM will be presenting an updated complex design.

A conversation took place regarding the future of our complex. It continues to be important that we attend GVR meetings to demonstrate our support of this project. Changes in the make up of the GVR Board were discussed. Concerns were mentioned regarding the future of the proposed complex.

Gina reported on a joint meeting with the Tennis Club which included a discussion of partnering to increase the visibility of court sports. This would be a community-building effort and could include partnering toward community projects. Gina and Jeff will continue to explore this opportunity.

Donna T. raised continued concerns about the number of non-club members who continue to play on our courts. Ideas to increase club membership were discussed which included a Fall event to welcome members back. This could be open to the community and include a table where information would be shared.

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Goodrich, Secretary