

GVR PICKLEBALL CLUB BOARD MEETING

September 12, 2018 – East Center Game Room – 6:00 p.m.

Vice President, Mark Robertson, called the meeting to order. 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 May 9, 2018 board meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Donna Talarski reported the club checking account balance is \$8,459.91. The reserve savings account balance is \$55,309.59.

Old Business:

SIMON sale: Donna T. reported SIMON sold for \$404.00 on July 3rd. It was delivered and the funds were added to the reserve account.

Pickleball Olympics: Mark M. reminded us that the Olympics will be held on October 28th and will be accompanied by a picnic. He noted the need for a volunteer announcer or announcers. 3 or 4 new games will be introduced. Additional volunteers will be recruited as well.

New Business:

Volunteer to enforce player ratings for round robins: Donna T. announced the need for a coordinator of coordinators+for round robins. This person is responsible to check on those who have signed up to ensure their membership and rating for each level of play. Paul May volunteered to fill this position.

GVR Conduct Expectations+meeting: Mark M. and Pam attended this meeting which was held on August 17th during which several GVR club representatives discussed club etiquette. Each club is being encouraged to develop policies related to abusive/disruptive behavior and to develop a progressive discipline plan. Mark M. and Pam offered to develop a preliminary, rough draft which would be presented at the October Board meeting. George Rushing, GVR Recreation Services Director, has offered to be of assistance. Discussion centered around various options to present this document to our members.

Club involvement with Healthy Living . Plant Based Diet: Donna T. began the discussion by documenting the process this presentation went through which resulted in access to the Pickleball data base and SignUp Genius. She then outlined some foreseeable issues that could arise by promoting topics that could be seen as outside the realm of pickleball: 1) the Club is setting a precedent by allowing members to request the use of the data base and SignUp Genius; 2) Healthy Living is an excellent topic; however, future topics could be quite controversial as well as considered non-pickleball-related; 3) a letter has been received in protest to this event based on the afore-mentioned reasons; 4) to date, 22 members have signed up for this event. Following discussion and Board vote (including an additional ~~may~~ayqin absentia by Paul Serra), the presenter/facilitator was encouraged to approach GVR and provide this educational event through one of their many committees (where it would be broadcast to a larger membership) or to pursue it personally.

Friday night drills: Mark R. announced this opportunity for heavy drilling which would be held on 2 courts, eight people maximum; beginning the first week of October. It will be offered to 3.5+ and geared toward tournament play. Following discussion, it was decided that 3:00-5:00 p.m. at Canoa Ranch would be the best time and venue for this event. Based on the future unknown demand for court usage, Mark R. offered to evaluate this event after one month.

Ball fee discussion: Paul May deferred this discussion to the October Board meeting.

Pickleball cruises: Mark R. reported that the Club was approached by Bon Voyage Travel regarding fundraising opportunities. Various packages were mentioned. Pros and cons were discussed and it was felt that more investigation was necessary. This possibility will be referred to the fundraising committee.

Urgent Business:

Donna C. announced the following:

- 1) Our Club will return to a full schedule on October 1st during which reserved courts will be available starting at noon. Each level will split morning play with 3.5/4.0s sharing their time. Classes will be held at Canoa Ranch again this year. Challenge courts will not be available due to court shortage.
- 2) The GVR Fiscal Affairs committee will meet Tuesday to discuss (hopefully approve) the expansion of court 1 into two courts at East Center. The goal is for completion by late December, starting in late October. The plan is for courts 2 and 3 to be widened by 8 feet. If possible, all lights will be switched to LEDs
- 3) The Pickleball Center design is progressing well. The design is for 24 courts and will be sent to a cost estimator soon.

Connie Griffin reported that the GVR/GVRF ad hoc committee met to begin sorting through questions that have been addressed to these two entities. Connie and Donna C. have volunteered to participate in that committee.

Member Comments:

Discussion ensued related to enforcement of members playing within their level. It was suggested that a note be added to the web site encouraging all players to do so.

Discussion was also held regarding the topics of self-ratings, summer ratings, and our current rating system. These subjects were referred to October when some members of the Rating Committee will return to Green Valley.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Goodrich, Secretary