

March 2020 Pickleball club board meeting minutes

Meeting was called to order by president Larry Halverson at 9:30. All board members were present except board member Bill Wentlandt. Members present at the meeting were; Melodie Rastedt, Rosa Hasse, Linda Torgeson, Harry Callen, Ruth Adams, Bill Smith, Candy Lamb and Cyndi Pletch.

Membership> as of to date there are 343 paid members and 70 unpaid.

Treasure's report> the pickleball club account has \$18,096.20

Old Business

Court maintenance>Larry stated he went to the property and ground committee meeting and no specifics were given as to the courts. He spoke to them afterwards and it is still planned in April to work on court #8 and to repair cracks on courts 10 & 12. Candy asked, "that during this time of "shut down" could we possibly set up temporary courts on one tennis court to handle to possible overflow of those playing pickleball?" Larry stated, "he would have to speak to the tennis club president yet felt with the social distancing there may not be a need.

Paddle Challenge league social play> still going to have the event this Wednesday 3/18. There will be 20 players from Del Webb and 20 from Stone Crest with 5 additional. They have been asked to bring wipes and hand sanitizer along with social distancing. There will be no food.

League Play> As far as league play it would be up to the league managers whether they continue with leagues. It would also be a personal choice as to whether players would participate in leagues.

Senior Games>the games went well only cancelled singles play due to the lack of participants. Rosa asked, "if there could be a re-write of the description for senior games pickleball." Larry agreed that the wording in the description needed to be changed.

VP In-House tournament> Will go as planned but will not have the food. Based on numbers may be postponed until fall. Wait and see. An email will be sent out to remind people to sign up by 3/27.

Player rating system > Bill Smith had an example sheet of the USAPA rating sheet. This is what is used by this organization to rate players. Bill stated he paid \$45 to get rated and this was done at Grand Oaks by Matty who is qualified to rate players. Would it be possible for the club to pay part of fee for players to get rated? Or they just pay for themselves. Could we have someone like Matty come in and do this for our club? Linda Torgeson asked, "Why even has

this?" When it comes to tournament with our community players are put in categories based on league play. This especially occurs within women's league. Larry asked how are women's league rated? Berni stated, "In the past there was a system in place based on number of games and percentages. As it is now it is just a ladder league and players move up according to wins and losses. At this time there are not enough higher level players participating thus those lower level players are moved up. Does this mean they are a higher level player? Absolutely not, so there really is any rating system anymore." There is no rating system at Del Webb. Larry asked, "How do we go forward?" What would be best for our community? The committee needs to come up with options, a system that works for our club. May want to have the league managers attend your meeting and work this out. Get suggestions and ideas. An email will be sent out requesting more people to help on this committee.

New Business

Donation- BHS Fundraiser> Larry proposed that the club donate \$500 for this cause. Last year the club donated \$250. Linda Torgeson asked if \$250 could be donated toward helping people in our community get meals. Berni asked what the logistics would be in doing this. How would the club do this? A discussion took place as to how to go about doing this. Is it that our people can't afford a meal or they just need meals delivered? The idea was tabled. The board voted to give a \$500 donation to the BHS fundraiser. Bill Smith asked if there was a business committee for the club. Larry said no. Bill said who is in charge of the expenses for the club and is there a budget as to what we spend funds on. The board is in charge and a yearly budget gets submitted to the HOA every year.

Liability Waiver> it was brought up as to whether the paddle challenge social league have outside players sign a liability waiver. It was decided that this would be a good idea. So from now on paddle challenge social league will have players sign the waiver prior to participating in the events they have.

Bracket/Tournament training> we have 4 people who signed up to do this they are Carol Warner, Judy Davis, Dave Olds and Karen Gebhard.

Dinner Dance event> as of now we will still have this event. Wait and see until later this month if HOA has lengthened its restriction date.

No other new business to discuss. Meeting was adjourned. Next board meeting will be April 14, 2020 at 9:30am.