

**Sun City Grand Pickleball Club
Membership Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2015**

Prior to the business meeting, the guest speaker, Josh Hayes from Select Physical Therapy, gave a presentation on Injury Prevention, Reduction and Recovery. All Sun City Grand residents were invited, with approximately 150 people in attendance. The presentation began at 3:05 p.m. and concluded at approximately 4:15 p.m.

The January membership meeting of the Sun City Grand Pickleball Club was called to order by the President, Dennis Raggi, at 4:25 p.m. The meeting was held at the Cimarron Center; 110 attendees, including board members, signed in.

Board members present:

Dennis Raggi, President
Bob Ellis, Vice President
Betty Ponto, Treasurer
Lynn Renick, Secretary
Doug Pusateri, Member at Large
Paul Reiss, Member at Large

Treasurer's Report: The report was approved as presented. The proposed 2015 budget will be posted on the website for the members' consideration at the next membership meeting.

Secretary's Report: A correction to the October 14, 2014 meeting minutes was read; the October meeting minutes were approved. The minutes from the November 11, 2014 meeting were approved as corrected.

President's Report: Dennis Raggi acknowledged the service and work of the following 2014 volunteer members and officers: Bob Applebaum, Keith Darrow, Sharon Navratil, Bob Bahlman, John Olson, George Cox and Dan Swafford.

Announcements were made regarding the following:

- current and upcoming 2015 court schedule and reservation changes, including afternoon drop-in and 75+ drop-in; members are encouraged to read email blasts for further changes.
- the Grand Kids Club will continue year round.
- open volunteer positions need to be filled.
- Dennis has met with CAM regarding pickleball club issues; a proposal is expected to be made to the SCG BOD in February; upcoming meetings with CAM, the SCG BOD and BOD candidates will provide forums to discuss general SCG issues as well as court capacity issue.
- as of 01/13/2015 there are 1,012 pickleball club members.
- USAPA skill designations are now being utilized – 2.5/Novice, 3.0/C, 3.5/B, 4.0/A, 4.5/Open, and 5.0.

Committee Reports:

1) A committee has been formed to consider a Real Time Monitoring System at the courts; a proposal may be coming in the near future.

2) Paddle testing committee will test or re-test new and redesigned products prior to vendor days; current posted list is up-to-date and testing will continue to be conducted.

Unfinished Business:

- 1) Left locker code at the Pavilion will be changed.
- 2) Afternoon drop-in is being increased from two to three hours (2:00 to 5:00 p.m.).
- 3) Over 1,000 new balls have been purchased.
- 4) Lost and Found items will be taken to Goodwill.

New Business:

- 1) Members may play in one skill level drop-in per week; the goal is to minimize the gap in players' proficiency during skill level drop-ins. Linda Hoggatt will be coordinating a group to assist in evaluating members for appropriate skill level. Members will have an opportunity to do self-evaluations.
- 2) Vic Avery described a pickleball practice machine (similar to a tennis ball machine) to assist players in improving skills, and to use during clinics or instruction. John Grasso moved that the club purchase one practice machine at a cost of \$1,210; motion passed. The practice machine can be found on ThePickleballMachine.com website.
- 3) A digital clock was approved for purchase.

Announcements:

- Dennis Raggi will contact Scott Phillips about the possibility of purchasing sun shades in the two breezeways.
- Court reservation schedules will be posted in the breezeways, however changes or additions to court sign ups must be made at the bulletin board.
- February 10, 2015 guest speaker on Prolotherapy will be recorded on TV22.
- Court cleaning on 1/15/2015 has been cancelled.

The January membership meeting of the Sun City Grand Pickleball Club was adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

Lynn Renick, Secretary
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