

**Sun City Grand Pickleball Club
Membership Meeting Minutes
April 14, 2015**

Guest speaker, Dr. Drew Anthony from Inner Health 360, provided a presentation on functional medicine which maximizes wellness and works toward the goal of reversing issues associated with some diseases, such as diabetes. Approximately 48 people attended. The presentation began at 3:00 p.m. and concluded at approximately 3:30 p.m.

The April membership meeting of the Sun City Grand Pickleball Club was called to order by the President, Dennis Raggi, at 3:41 p.m. The meeting was held at the Cimarron Center; there were 46 attendees, including board members.

Board members present:

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

Treasurer's Report: Betty Ponto, treasurer, presented the quarterly financial report (January 1 through March 31, 2015). The report is attached; there is \$5,258 in the club's checking account with \$23,005 in savings, totaling \$28,263 in total cash. Seymour Butchin moved that the financial report be approved. Motion passed.

Secretary's Report: A March membership meeting was not held; the minutes from the February 10, 2015 meeting were approved as written.

Vice President's Report:

- Bob Ellis reported that club volunteers have continued working at St. Mary's Food Bank and although numbers are decreasing due to people leaving for the summer, the Kids Café needs help to prepare 4,000 to 5,000 lunches daily. Volunteers are especially needed on Monday mornings if anyone is available to assist the organization. The goal is to have the Sun City Grand community remain involved with the non-profit on a long term basis. SCG Activities Department interviewed the manager of the Food Bank which to be aired on TV22 in order to recruit volunteers from Sun City Grand.
- A blast email will be sent out with a timeline for the April 18 Valley Vista Band event. The March charity event was a great success. At this time, two items have been purchased with proceeds, including a new podium with transport package and a rolling synthesizer. Club members have donated 25 pickleball paddles for the band members who will have an opportunity to learn to play pickleball on the 18th. The Mayor of Surprise and the Superintendent of Dysart School District plan to attend the event and the band will play. Sun City Grand Board members are also being invited to the event. It was noted in the discussion that one of the Pickleball Club's goals is to be an active member of the greater community.

President's Report:

Dennis Raggi discussed the following items:

- Summer schedules will begin as of May 3, 2015: skill drop-ins and the '75 and over' drop-in will end for the summer; afternoon drop-in times will stop and morning drop-in will be scheduled from 8 to 10 a.m. every day. Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday night mixers will continue. Ladders have already moved to 8 a.m. due to the heat.
- Any repairs needed at the courts should be reported to Dennis.

- Paul Reiss has a 4 person maintenance crew and has asked for additional volunteers this summer. Court cleaning dates have been scheduled for the year.
- Doug Pusateri is in need of a volunteer to post the daily court schedule this summer.
- As of 04/14/15, there are 1,011 club members.
- There is a sign-out sheet by the Simon pickleball machine. A blast email will be coming out outlining the usage guidelines.
- CAM has set up an AT&T hot spot to provide internet access. A proposal for the installation of the Real Time Monitoring System is being completed. The plan is to have the system in place next October.
- Paddle testing is continuing to be done by request. New paddles not on the approved list must be tested prior to usage.

Unfinished Business:

- 1) The next court cleaning is scheduled on 5/13/15 (Wednesday).
- 2) CAM is getting bids for sun shades which are planned to be added in the breezeways. If possible, this will be accomplished by summer.
- 3) Paul Reiss asked that any ideas or items of interest be given to him for pickleball club articles in Grand Lifestyles.
- 4) Bob Julian is taking the lead in editing and updating club policies and procedures within the next couple of months.

New Business:

- The Ad Hoc committee regarding the pickleball/tennis court issue and potential court expansion will reportedly make a recommendation at the May Chat with the Board. Dennis asked that club members talk to him before speaking on this subject at the Chat in order to send a unified message.
- An election committee will be formed in May or June to recruit club members for offices in 2016. Colleen Grimes is being asked to chair the committee. The policies need to be reviewed regarding the term of office and staggered terms are being considered.

The April membership meeting of the Sun City Grand Pickleball Club was adjourned at 4:22 p.m.

Lynn Renick, Secretary
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