

**Sun City Grand Pickleball Club  
Membership Meeting  
October 11, 2016**

The President, Steve Berwald, called the October membership meeting of the Sun City Grand Pickleball Club to order at 3:02 PM. The meeting was held in The Aqua Fria Room. There were 48 attendees, including board members.

**Board Members Present:**

Steve Berwald, President  
Bill Murphy, Vice President  
John Olson, Treasurer  
Carol Willoughby, Secretary  
Paul Reiss, Member at Large  
Janice Roberts, Member at Large  
Pete Hladek, Member at Large

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes from the May 10, 2016 meeting were approved as written.

**Treasurer Report:** John Olson presented the Club's Financial Statement for 2016 through September.

On the revenue side, we collected \$8425 in member dues, \$1075 from shirt sales and \$9325 from Social Events for a total income of \$18,830. We budgeted \$11,000 from member dues and \$10,000 from Social Events. Our total expenses to date are \$16,359.

In the bank, we currently have \$3472 in checking, \$21,514 in savings for a total of \$24,986.

John proposed revisions to the budget for the remainder of 2016. On the income section, Social Events should increase from \$10,000 to \$19,000 to allow for the Fall Fling and Holiday Parties revenue. On the expense section, the Court Improvements should reflect the \$10,000 contribution that was approved at the May 10, 2016 Membership Meeting. Social Events Expense of \$13,500 should increase to \$25,000 to allow for the expenses of the Fall Fling, Holiday Parties as well as the Volunteer Appreciation Event.

The revisions passed.

John presented the Executive Board's recommendation for increasing the 2017 Membership dues by \$5.00 for all categories:

- New Members \$25.00
- Members who have monitor credit \$10.00
- Members with no monitor credit \$30.00
- New Members in Oct and Nov 2017 \$20.00

This motion passed.

**President's report:**

Steve Berwald talked about the following-

**Court Expansion:**

- The final vote on the court expansion will happen Thursday, November 13 at 1:00pm in the Sagebrush ballroom. It will be streamed live on channel 22.
- The total cost is \$160,000 including the \$20,000 paid by us.
- There will be no acoustic fencing but a berm and bushes planted outside the fencing should help disperse the sound.
- Work should start on or about November 1.
- Completion time is approximately 2 months.

**Balls:**

- We will be transitioning to the new "pure balls #2" as we get them. Steve has ordered 200 new balls that we hope to get in November. We still have old balls to use, but those balls are being discontinued.
- Steve emphasized that we should not be taking the balls from the courts.

**Monitors:**

- There are still openings for monitoring in November and December at the 9:00 am and 4:00 pm drop-in times.

**Vice president's report:**

Bill Murphy talked about the following:

**April Lifestyles/Care Meetings:**

- Clubs are entitled to a free full-page ad in the Grand Lifestyles magazine each year. The ad can be broken into half page or quarter page ads as long as it totals one full page per year.
- The 25% rule may decrease to 15% for open play on courts.
- There will be a Last Call for alcoholic drinks at all events.
- Clubs must notify the CAM board before buying or adding equipment.

**Monitor credit:**

- All leads need to send an email to Bob Julian to report credits for their workers.

**Pickleball Shirts:**

- Bill is asking for ideas on how to get rid of excess shirts.
- We will sell them at the membership meetings for \$5.00.
- It was suggested that we give one to new members when they join the Pickleball Club.

**Committee Report:**

The Nominating/Election Chair, Linda Durkee, announced that all board members except Paul Reiss, Member at Large, were willing to serve another year. They are as follows:

Steve Berwald, President  
Bill Murphy, Vice President  
John Olson, Treasurer  
Carol Willoughby, Secretary  
Janice Roberts, Member at Large  
Pete Hladek, Member at Large  
Nominations were opened.

Gerri Gerard nominated Kathy Crotty to serve as Member at Large for that open seat. No other nominations were made, so nominations were closed.

A vote was taken and all members were elected for the year starting on January 1, 2017.

A special thank you to Paul Reiss for serving on the board for 2014 and 2015.

**New Business:**

Fall Fling:

- Linda Durkee brought us up to date on plans for the Fall Fling/ Tailgating Party. Dillon's is catering the food.
- We need to encourage more members to attend.
- It will be a sports theme, so wear your college or professional team shirts.
- There will be a few games on the outside patio.
- Bring your golf carts decorated for your team.

Pickleball lessons:

- Steve and Marlene Berwald are still giving lessons on Friday evenings at 6:00pm. They have several additional teachers helping them.
- Steve takes groups of 20 so there will be a 1 to 4 ratio of teachers to students.
- Lessons are doing well. Many people have already signed up.
- From the lessons, Steve is encouraging students to move to the Novice drop-ins, the Novice mixers and Novice ladder.

Member discussion on Non-agenda items:

There was a discussion on waiting until November 1 instead of October 1 to push back times for drop-in because it is still hot. Steve is going to look into this idea.

The Sun City Grand Pickleball meeting was adjourned at 4:11.

Carol Willoughby, Secretary  
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