

**Sun City Grand Pickleball Club
Membership Meeting
September 11, 2018**

The President, Troy Konz, called the September Membership Meeting of the Sun City Grand Pickleball Club to order at 3:02 PM. The meeting was held in The Agua Fria Room. A quorum was established. There were 88 attendees, including Board members.

Board Members Present: Troy Konz, President
Craig Soubliere, Vice President
Carol Weber, Alternate Treasurer
Colleen Grimes, Secretary
Don Madison, Member at Large

Absent: Marlene Berwald, Member at Large
Stewart McWilliam, Member at Large
Betty Ponto, Treasurer

Secretary's Report: The revised March 13th general membership meeting minutes were presented. Troy made a motion to approve the March 13th minutes and Chuck Gordon seconded. The March minutes were approved by the membership. Troy made a motion to approve the April 10th, 2018 minutes. Jeff Cretors seconded the motion and the minutes were approved by the membership.

Treasurer Report: Income/Expense Report (I/E report) Carol Weber presented the Club I/E report for January 1, 2018 - August 31, 2018 (Attachment 1). It was reported that the Holiday Party money has not been spent and went into checking but is covered under savings. The club had 20 new members sign up between May and August 2018. A motion was made to approve the report. Chuck Gordon seconded the motion and the membership voted to approve the I/E report.

Old Business:

Committee Reports:

Court Maintenance: Craig reported that the courts will be cleaned by club members beginning at around 10:00 am Monday - Friday the 1st and the 3rd week of each month. Craig asked members to contact him if they can volunteer for the Court Maintenance team.

Holiday Party: Linda reported that the December 6th, 2018 Holiday Party is sold out. There are 245 people out of a possible 280 signed up for the party. It may be possible to reconfigure the room to accommodate 280 people. The theme is "Starry Night." Dress like your favorite movie star.

CPR Training - Stop the Bleeding/CPR: The training was held on September 11th from 1:00 to 3:00pm. It was an excellent class and members who attended received a certificate for attending the training. Based on member interest, the club is considering scheduling another class early next year. Thanks to Mel Langer for setting up the class.

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Sponsorship Committee: Craig reported that our request for court sponsorship for the Club was not approved by the ARC Committee. Craig reported that the Tennis Club showed up in numbers at this meeting to protest approval of our Club's request for sponsorship. The Softball Club has sponsors even though the SCG Bylaws prohibit "Signage" in Sun City Grand. Craig indicated that CAM would need to change the bylaws before the signs could be considered for approval.

First Aid Kits: Colleen made an announcement that the Club has 3 small First Aid Kits hanging in each breezeway and 1 large rolling kit in the Pavilion. The large kit contains more extensive first aid supplies to be used for more severe injuries. We will be presenting what is in each kit at each membership meeting going forward.

Internal Tournament: The Internal Tournament will be "Draw for a Partner" or "Dink a Dilly II" and be based on skill level. Partners will be drawn on November 16, 2018. The tournament is scheduled for November 28 - 30th, 2018. The event schedule is as follows: Wednesday, 11/28/18 - Women's play. Thursday, 11/29/18 - Men's play. Friday, 11/30/18 - Mixed Doubles. Cost is \$20.00 per member to include a meal, play and a T-shirt.

Charity Event - Soldiers Best Friend (SBF): Play with a Pro (SBF) charity event is scheduled on December 16th, 2018 from 12 noon to 5:00pm on courts 13 - 22. There will be 12 Pro players available for "Play with a Pro" as well as scheduled exhibition games for people to watch. Cost will be the same as last year (\$20.00 for 20 minutes of play). Contact Colleen Grimes or Linda Durkee to volunteer for the event. Donations are always accepted.

Revised Club Standing Rules and Operating Procedures (SOP's): Colleen is working with Jeanne Harteau to complete the revisions to the SOP's. The SOP's will be posted on the Club website before the October 9th meeting. The updated SOP's will be voted on by the membership at the General Membership Meeting on October 9th, 2018.

New Business:

2019 Budget:

Misters: Troy asked that the club approve submission of a PDP for a mister system in the Breezeways. The mister system will cost \$9000.00. Bob Casey has worked with the vendors and explained that there would be sections with and without the misters for folks who do not like to sit directly under the misters. There will be two zones each with a timer/controller. There was discussion that the club should not offer to pay for the entire system. Troy asked for a motion to submit the PDP asking CAM to purchase the system not to exceed \$9000.00. Chuck Gordon moved to approve the PDP submission and Keith Darrow seconded the motion. Mel Langer was opposed to purchasing mister system. It was approved by a majority of the membership.

Warranty for the Tomcat/Billy Goat: Troy asked that the club purchase a maintenance contract for \$900.00 to cover general maintenance on the Tomcat and the Billy Goat. The "annual contract" would start on October 1, 2018. A motion was made

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to approve the maintenance contract not to exceed \$900.00. The motion was seconded by Keith Darrow and approved by the membership.

2019 Election Nominating Committee: There are currently two positions open. Mel Langer will head the 2019 Nominating Committee. Committee Members include Nicki Greene, Laura Darrow and Steve Schneider.

Lifestyles Advisory Committee (LAC) meeting (1:00 pm on September 12th, 2018): Troy reported that the LAC committee will be considering purchasing a water bottle filling/ice machine for the Pickleball Club at their September 12, 2018 meeting. The meeting will be at 1:00 pm in the Mediterranean Room at the Palm Center. Club members are encouraged to attend this meeting.

Chair and Bench Cushions: Troy proposed that the Club approve \$800.00 to purchase cushions for the remaining chairs and benches before the end of the year. There was discussion about having someone make the cushions for the benches and it was decided that it would be more cost effective to purchase them now because the cushions are on sale. A member requested that we purchase thinner cushions if possible. There was a motion to purchase the cushions not to exceed \$800.00. Jeanne Harteau seconded the motion and it was approved by the membership.

Ladder Changes presented by Pam Speer - B Ladder Captain: Pam presented the Ladder changes (Attachments II, III, IV). The Club will stop using the A, B, C and N "letter system" for levels of play. Ladder changes will be posted on the Club website and follow the International Pickleball Teaching Professional Association (ITPTA) standards of 2.0 to 5.0.

Pam reported that Angie Robison (Ladder Manager) is trying to recruit a 2.0 Ladder Captain. It was recommended that the new 2.0 level be added to play on Thursdays when the 2.5 level plays. Pam will develop a Ladies Ladder for all levels of play. The new Ladies Ladder will play on Mondays at the same time as the 4.0 level. Pam recommended that the new Ladies Ladder start on October 15, 2018.

There was discussion about developing a Men's, Women's and Mixed Ladders. It was decided that the club would move forward with only the Ladies Ladder until the end of Year. Jeanne Harteau recommended that the Ladder system be evaluated and restructured. Jeanne will head a Committee to evaluate the current Ladder system and make recommendations for changes to bring back to the membership. Troy made a motion to approve the new 2.0 Ladder, Ladies Ladder, and Ladder Committee. Linda Durkee seconded the motion and it was approved by the membership.

New Balls: The Pure 2 ball is no longer available. The club has 700 to 800 Pure 2 balls in rotation and 150 new balls. Troy reported that the G-2 will become the ball used in tournaments. Jane White reported that the G-2 balls have been splitting. Troy will investigate the durability of the G-2 ball.

Monitor Changes: Troy proposed that monitors be allowed to play during the summer season. There was a request that Guest Badges be changed to a different color

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because it is hard to identify who is a “Guest” vs. a Member. Troy made a motion to approve monitors being allowed to play at “drop-in” in the summer. The motion was seconded by Check Gordon and approved by the membership.

Signage: Some of the Laminated paper signs on the courts were destroyed by the storm. The paper signs will be changed to the plastic lasered signs.

Court Usage: Troy informed the membership that on September 4, 2018, the Board voted to assign a maximum of 11 courts for all club mixer groups. If the mixer group requires more than 11 courts, their members can book additional courts the week before their mixer is scheduled to play. Troy explained that there have been complaints to CAM from club members and others that limited courts were available to book on certain nights. There was a lengthy discussion from the membership both for and against this change. The “Novice Mixer” group members requested that they be allowed to keep their assigned 18 courts on Wednesday and Friday nights. The “Novice Mixer” group explained that they have all levels of play and need 18 courts if they are going to continue to accept novice players. A club member explained that novice players have additional opportunity to play two times a week in “Novice Drop-In” and can also join the Novice Ladder. A member stated that no new novice players from novice training will be allowed to join the “Novice Mixer” group going forward. Troy informed the member that the “Novice Mixer” is a club sponsored event and any changes to the “Novice Mixer” group would need to be reported by the Mixer monitor to the Board for approval. Everyone agreed that the “Novice Mixer” and all mixers are a great opportunity for new members to learn the game and meet new people. Troy explained that it is the Board’s job to make sure courts are available to everyone in Sun City Grand. In the past, other club Boards have had to limit the number of courts for club sponsored events. The current Board limited the number of assigned courts for all Mixer groups, not just the “Novice Mixer”. The issue was addressed and the 11 courts for mixers will remain in place as voted on by the Board.

Member Comments and Non-Agenda Items:

The Sun City Grand Pickleball meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm.

Colleen Grimes, Secretary
Minutes Approved by the membership October 9th, 2018

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