Sunrise Pickleball Club

Board Meeting January 16, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 4:35 pm at the Rusch Community Center room 4.

Board members in attendance: Jason Pollock (President), Tom Bylsma (Vice President), Gail Kenney (Treasurer), Jessica Knowlton (Secretary, Reine Steel (IT), Rodney Coleman (Events), Gwen Warrener (Communications), Jerry Mountjoy (Membership).

A motion was made and passed to appoint the following members to the board for 2023: Reine Steel, IT: Rodney Coleman, Events; Jerry Mountjoy, Membership; and Gwen Warrener, Communications.

President's Report:

Jason talked about how the new board may have a learning curve to understand how the club and board run. He also wants to define what we want to do as a club.

This opened a general discussion about the desire for more social events which requires a social committee and volunteers. Board members will reach out to some members and discuss again at the February meeting.

VP Report:

Tom asked for dates for our first club tournament of the year. April 22nd was decided. The parks tournament will be May 23rd.

Treasurer Report:

Gail outlined the need for better record keeping of our finances, and setting up an audit committee to audit the treasurer every three months. It was motioned and passed that a laptop for treasurer use be purchased. The treasurer will also provided the previous months financials at the next board meeting.

IT Report:

Discussion about the social media pages of the club and what they look like moving forward. The Facebook page needs to be deleted and restarted. Potential to find someone to serve as the social media manager was discussed. WIFI options and security cameras will be researched for next month's meeting.

Communication Report:

Gwen outlined conversations with the parks department about the RFP for additional shade structures and Spring court resurfacing.

Pro teaching times and schedule were discussed. Since Sunday afternoons are the only weekend drill times available, each instructor will only schedule two Sunday afternoons per month so other instructors have the opportunity to also schedule drills. Instructors can coordinator with other instructors for additional times or reserve any Sunday that is open 10 days before.

Problems of enforcing club members only during drop in hours were discussed. Drop in wavier sign will be added with QR code to make payment and signing the wavier easy.

Membership Report:

Jerry reported 490 active members for 2023. 509 members to still renew. 120 bands distributed. Comped memberships were approved for new board members. A motion to comp membership for Cheryl Summers for running the King/Queens court passed. Cheryl assisted once or twice a week for 5-6 months in 2023. A motion to comp membership for Robin Mandeville for serving as the tournament director passed. Lifetime memberships were discussed including name plates and how long to continue to offer lifetime memberships. Lifetime membership recognition boards mounted on the fence in the walkway between courts 3 and 4 have become weathered to the point of needing replacement. Cost would be considerable and the board chose to move the listing to our website and notify members.

New Business:

Catherine Parenteau Camp scheduled for February 9th and 11th is all planned. A motion was made and passed to buy squeegees for the club and research ways to secure them so they are available to club members. Getting new paddle racks for the club was also discussed. The board revisited the possibility of a Junior program. The decision was made to table this until further discussion and information is obtained regarding some of our pros running a summer program.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45pm.