

Sunrise Pickleball Club
Board Meeting
May 15, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 4:40 pm in Room 4 at Rusch Park.

In attendance: Jason Pollock (President) (phone), Tom Bylsma (Vice President), Marty Brown (Treasurer), Rodney Coleman (Activities), Jerry Mountjoy (Membership), and David Dellinger (Membership Assistant).

Absent: Jessica Knowlton (Secretary), Reine Steel (IT), Rose Dias (Communications).

President's Report: The Cinco de Mayo tournament was very successful. About 87 members participated. The food was a big hit.

A representative from Lembe Park asked, through Jason, if the club would consider a donation toward the Lembe Park court resurfacing. They are currently doing a fundraiser. Discussion brought out that it would be a goodwill gesture to donate a small amount.

Action: It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously to donate \$500.00 to Lembe Park Pickleball Club toward the resurfacing of their courts. Jason will contact the club and arrange for the donation to be given.

Vice President's Report: A question was raised about bringing on additional instructors, especially for higher level players. The board decided in March to establish Brian Newman as the Club Pro and allow him to bring on additional instructors as needed. Though the board recognizes the benefit of an instructor for advanced players, we are not aware of any call for such an instructor from members.

Action: Follow up at the August meeting to see if circumstances have changed.

Treasurer's Report: Sent report to board.

Membership Report: Membership report sent to board members. Club membership is down 25% from last year.

Old Business:

Court resurfacing will likely be completed in July, in time for August tournaments. We've asked that the courts be completed in the quickest fashion available while maintaining high

quality, leaving the decision to the contractor. This may mean that all 12 courts are down at the same time. Typically when we resurface six courts at a time, most members stay away because they fear it will be too crowded. So rather than shutting down two weeks, then two weeks, we're hoping to get it all done in a shorter time span.

Action: Jason will speak with Samantha at Johnson Ranch to negotiate a deal to allow our members to play there during the resurfacing period.

Lights: Marty ordered eight poles that were approved last month. Jake is awaiting park approval for the lights, which should be approved next week.

Action: A motion was made and approved unanimously to, upon park approval, to purchase the necessary lights and controllers at a cost of under \$3,000.00

New Business

Court Monitor: Five people applied for the court monitor contract. The board agreed to restrict the contract to individuals who have been with the club for at least one full year, and preferably longer.

Action: David Dellinger will interview the applicants, discuss the role that the monitors will play, and make a recommendation to the board.

Bistro: Pending final park district approval, a husband and wife will be operating the bistro. The wife works in the park district headquarters. The woman told Rodney that their focus will be on swim meets. She didn't offer more than that. Past comments from Jake have been that the bistro belongs to the pickleball club. We have items stored there. Further clarification is needed. We did a very rough inventory after the meeting.

Action: Clean out anything we don't need. Wait for further information from the operators and the park.

Public Meeting: June 19, 1925 meeting will be held at the Bistro and will be open to members.

Action: Tom will ask Gwen to send a notice to members.

Meeting adjourned at 5:25.