

## **PTPC Board Meeting**

**March 14, 2023**

### **Call Meeting to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 2:02 pm by President, Lynn Pierle at the Pink House. Present were Lynn, Jim Dow, Mark Finco, Annette Joyce, Ara Pelz (guest attendee from the Y), Kirk Rowdabaugh, Eric Seder and Sharlene Shiroma. Absent were Carol Gartlan and Jeannie Ramsey.

The minutes of the January 10<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting were submitted and corrected online. Kirk moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Mark seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

### **Issues at YMCA – Eric Seder, Jim Dow**

Guest: Ara Pelz

Ara mentioned that the main issue has been resolved on its own. It was a disagreement about a player's ability level.

Lynn mentioned that she would like to address some other issues at the Y. Eric was approached by Mike McCoy about purchasing new nets and asked if the Club would be willing to put up half of the cost. The ones that he recommended don't need a center support and are better than the ones they have now and cost \$400. Eric feels that it's the Y's program and not all the players are Club members. He suggested that the Y could possibly raise the cost of playing pickleball at the Y. Jim suggested that the Y can get nets through Pickleball Central to replace the ones there and the cost would be around \$50 each. Also they need more balls. Ara will look into it.

Eric mentioned that the schedule for the level of play at the Y should be changed slightly. There is as much beginner time as intermediate and advanced. Ara agrees. She will work on the schedule. Lynn clarified that indoor pickleball is a Y program, and there was an understanding that the Club would work together with the Y to make adjustments. The Y would monitor the attendance of the sessions, and if they saw attendance going down at one session, they would let the Club know and make adjustments accordingly. Ara will work with Trevor on it.

Ara mentioned that the Y is adjusting their hours. They added the 2 sessions on Saturday morning for pickleball and it was well received. Also, they would like to add a recreational gym time in the morning on Tuesday and Thursday from 7a-9a, which would mean dividing the gym space in half for basketball and pickleball. The Board does not see a problem with this schedule.

Lynn asked Ara how best to address pickleball issues at the Y. Ara would like issues to go directly to her and not anyone else. Eric and Jim will be the ones to talk to Ara on behalf of the Club on any issues that come up.

### **Officers' Reports**

#### **Treasurer – Kirk Rowdabaugh**

Kirk stated that Patti Rowdabaugh has filed the 990 form for the Club.

He mentioned we have in our account \$6,687.56 as of 3/14/2023.

Jim has ordered the net for the 3<sup>rd</sup> court at MV for which there is enough money in the account. Kirk mentioned that in a couple of months membership renewal will start and that will help with getting our account back up.

### **Facilities – Jim Dow, Eric Seder**

Kirk mentioned that we have around \$600 of credit from Pickleball Central on their account that can be used for equipment and accessories. Lynn asked if the Board Members can look at Pickleball Central's website and make suggestions on items to purchase for the Club (e.g. squeegees, nets).

Eric mentioned that the City is blowing off the courts at MV every day. He also mentioned that Michael wants to get together to talk about maintenance (e.g., power washing). Jim will get with Michael on it.

Lynn mentioned that we need to send out again in the next Blast the schedule for the MV courts, how to organize play and that the signage will go up soon on it.

Kirk mentioned we cancelled the insurance for the MV project. We still have general liability for the Club and we have a vehicle insurance policy which means if any of us is doing club business and gets in an accident they are insured through the club and not their personal auto insurance. He is asking if we should keep it. Lynn says that she does not remember having auto insurance before. Kirk says we have had it for a few years. The Board decided to go ahead and cancel it.

Regarding prioritizing buying accessory equipment for MV, Lynn mentioned getting benches, tables, nets and pavers for the gates. She asked if we should have a fundraiser at the grand opening to raise money for the accessory equipment. Kirk asked if we really need a fundraiser since membership dues are coming up which would add to our account. Eric mentioned that the City might be willing to get the benches for the courts. Jim will talk to them about it until we decide on doing a fundraiser.

### **Old Business**

#### **Planning for the Grand Opening – Lynn for Jeannie**

Lynn has invited the City and Parks and Rec. When we have this gathering at 5 pm, on April 12<sup>th</sup>, we will thank them for coming, introduce the officials, introduce the Board and the people who are responsible for the MV project, and have a ribbon cutting ceremony. John Mauro will cut the ribbon, if the Mayor or any members of City Council are not there. Photographers will be there and it will be in the paper. Light refreshments will be served. Then everyone will be invited to play. We can have a Mortimer game demonstration, and perhaps a raffle. Jim mentioned raffling a gift certificate from the credit we have from Pickleball Central and this money will go for acquiring equipment at the high school and MV.

Kirk mentioned having a donation box for visitors. Lynn also stated one of the goals in our Strategic Plan is to create a mechanism for ongoing fundraising which we need to start. On the Strategic Plan, we are doing very well with meeting the goals for outdoor courts. When we started with the plan, we had no permanent outdoor courts. Now we have 5 with a potential of a lot more. One of the things that interjected itself into this process is a task force for the future of MV and this has put a hold on our plans until next year. There is a plan from the task force to get a proposal to the City Council by June, but it does not seem likely that will happen. The PTPC was well represented at the Open House in January and the City made note of that.

Lynn also mentioned that we need a school liaison to get pickleball into the schools to get the students interested in the sport and it is also in our Strategic Plan. The Club needs someone who would promote pickleball in the schools by either doing an after school activity or getting it into their PE curriculum or having interscholastic competitions. Mark mentioned the club could sponsor a program for the kids to participate in.

The next Blast will have the MV schedule, the Grand Opening information, a message for players to check the locker for lost and found items, and info about signing up for Beginner Lessons.

The next Board Meeting will be on April 11 at 2:00 pm at the Pink House.

Kirk moved to have the meeting adjourned. Mark seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharlene Shiroma