



Minutes of the Board Meeting
March 13, 2023, 5:00pm
Private Residence, Tustin, CA

The Board Meeting of Tustin Pickleball, a California non-profit corporation was held at 5:00pm at a private residence, Tustin, CA on February 13, 2023. Board members in attendance were Chris Chu, Terry Wong, Monica McCarthy, Carl Cheng, Beth Arkin, Stella Inta, Michael Martinez and JoAnn Spiegel. Not in attendance was Gerry Rowland.

1. Call to Order

Chris Chu called meeting to order at 5:37pm.

2. Approval of the February 13, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Minutes sent via email to members. Carl Cheng motioned to approve February 13, 2023 minutes. Beth Arkin seconded the motion. Motion passed.

3. Logo Contest

Chris Chu proposed having a contest to update the Tustin Pickleball logo. To foster participation and ownership, members will be eligible to submit a design. Stella Inta motioned to approve and Beth Arkin second the motion. Motion passed.

4. Usage of equipment

A member requested to use the towels she donated to the club to be used for a non-Tustin Pickleball event. Chris suggested to give the towels back to the member to avoid future requests or conflicts. Stella Inta motioned to approve to give towels back. Beth Arkin seconded the motion. Motion passed.

5. Reward Points from Pickleball Central

Carl Cheng received an email from Albert Tjan regarding unused rewards credit totaling \$954.17 from Pickleball Central. Carl will use the credit to purchase pickleballs and other supplies for the club.

6. Webcam

Response to Webster the Webcam has been overwhelmingly positive. There were over 500 views on its first day, and throughout the first week, there were 300-400 views per day. The hours of operation were changed from 6am-12pm to 5:30am to 12pm, Monday through Saturday. The installers will return next week to rotate the camera to allow a wider view of courts 7 & 8.

7. Response to Suggestions from Suggestion Box

Chris Chu will respond to the members who submitted a suggestion and provided an email address. Suggestions that required discussion by the board were implementation of rally scoring and a rule change to the Challenge Court. Dispositions are below.

We will have a “Rally Scoring Week” April 3-8, 2023 to provide an opportunity for members to learn and try rally scoring. Possible use of rally scoring days will be Saturdays and Holidays and during times of overcrowding. Carl Cheng motioned to approve this decision. Beth Arkin seconded the motion. Motion passed.

A Challenge Court rule has been changed to give priority in the queue to winners (instead of the losing team) when winners rotate off after 3 wins in a row. Also, Court 9 will be designated as a secondary Challenge Court as needed when there are excessive players on Challenge Court 10. Carl Cheng motioned to approve this change. Terry Wong seconded the motion. Motion passed.

8. Merchandise

Carl Cheng proposed to buy Tustin Pickleball hats and order more t-shirts. Michael Martinez commented to wait until we update the logo and to defer to next meeting. Beth Arkin made a motion to approve. Michael Martinez seconded the motion. Motion passed.

9. Treasurer – Gerry Rowland not present, no report

10. Communications

Terry Wong added an Events section to the Tustin Pickleball website, and created a webpage of the Ladder Event on March 12 where members can view the results and other photos.

Club member Chiko Wong proposed to build a mobile app for Tustin Pickleball to include news, photos, bulletin boards, push notifications, events, etc. that can be used on an iPhone and Android. The Board felt that current communication tools were sufficient and decided not to proceed at this time. Stella Inta made a motion to disapprove the proposal. Carl Cheng seconded the motion. Motion passed.

11. Events

The first Ladder Event on March 12 was successfully completed. After paying a fee to event director David Callihan, net profit was approximately \$1,300. Next event will be April 30, payment will be by credit card only, with no refunds. Carl Cheng made a motion to approve. Michael seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Limerick Contest March 17 – Stella Inta made gift bags for the prizes. Prizes will be pickleballs. Chris Chu and Stella Inta will choose winners.

2nd annual event at Lido Paddle Sports – Proposed date May 20, 2023

Member Appreciation BBQ – June 24, 2023. This will be a Saturday event that includes organized pickleball play through 2pm and lunch at the courts.

12. Facilities

TUSD has agreed to install a power outlet in the storage shed once it is moved. Michael Martinez will take the batteries of the blowers home to be charged until a power outlet is available.

Items left at the courts from other tournaments or events outside of Tustin Pickleball will be photographed and sent to TUSD.

13. Membership

Beth Arkin reported we currently have 940 members.

There was a request from a member requesting a refund. Terry Wong will add a statement to the membership page of our website stating memberships are non-refundable and non-transferrable (per Tustin Pickleball by-laws).

14. Unreimbursed Expenses

Chris Chu proposed dinner to the Board in lieu of minor unreimbursed expenses incurred in the performance of our duties. Carl Cheng made a motion to approve. Stella Inta seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Miscellaneous

JoAnn Spiegel was added to the website as Member-at-Large on the Board of Directors page.

Someone claimed to be Adam Go at check in. His name is currently flagged and ID is required.

Gus Assad suggested we sell unclaimed paddles. It was decided to use them as loaners instead.

Rick Del Carlo has offered to periodically take unclaimed "lost and found" clothing to donate.

The board will explore the feasibility and costs of repainting courts 7,8,9 &10 to create additional courts.

Terry Wong will review our insurance policy to determine limits of coverage and suitability for future events at the club.

15. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned 8:04 pm. The next board meeting will be May 1, 2023.