



Minutes of the Board Meeting
October 5, 2023, 11:00am
Citrus Café, Tustin, CA

The Board Meeting of Tustin Pickleball, a California non-profit corporation was held at 11:00am at Citrus Café on October 5, 2023. Board members in attendance were Chris Chu, Terry Wong, Carl Cheng, Beth Arkin, Monica McCarthy, Gerry Rowland, Stella Inta and JoAnn Spiegel. Michael Martinez was not in attendance.

1. Call to Order

Chris Chu called meeting to order at 11:07 a.m.

2. Approval of August 30, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Minutes sent via email to members. Carl Cheng motioned to approve August 30, 2023 minutes. Beth Arkin seconded the motion. Motion passed.

3. President Report

No report given

4. VP Report

- a. The Board has decided to defer the court expansion project for consideration next year due to higher than anticipated labor costs and budget constraints. Instead, funds will be used to repair the expansion joint/crack on courts 2 & 5 with costs shared with TUSD.
- b. In lieu of installing permanent shade structures on courts 1, 2, 4 & 5 (which could impede play), the Board agreed to use patio umbrellas to provide shade during the summer months.

- c. Additional club apparel will be ordered, including an assortment of long sleeve shirts and hooded full zip sweatshirts in blue and gray colors.
- d. Updated court signs will be ordered to reflect the new club hours (7-11am) that start in January 2024.

5. Treasurer's Report

- a. Our club finances remain healthy and we have sufficient funds to support operations through the end of the year and into 2024.
- b. Gerry Rowland is working with the IRS and State of California to resolve tax issues and delinquent reporting requirements from 2018-2022 related to the Association's non-profit status. Failure to resolve these issues could result in assessment of penalties, late fees, and potential loss of the Association's tax-exempt status.

6. Communications

- a. The Board was given a timeline of the Election process for next year's Board of Directors. The nominating committee was formed with Stella Inta (chair), Terry Wong & JoAnn Spiegel. Chris Chu motioned to approve the committee members. Carl Cheng seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- b. An email was received from a member who was concerned about advanced players playing at the lower courts. Carl Cheng will respond to member.
- c. The Board received and discussed 2 anonymous suggestions from the suggestion box regarding request for a weekend only membership rate and a family discount rate. The Board voted no on both suggestions.

7. Events

- a. The Halloween Costume Party and Potluck is scheduled for October 31st at the courts. Gift cards and a pickleball will be awarded for best costumes.
- b. The next members-only free round robin will be scheduled for Saturday, November 18, 10am-noon. There will be a men's round robin and women's round robin using 5 courts each, with different skill levels.
- c. A Veterans Day event will be held on Saturday November 11th. There will be no drop-in fee for all non-member veterans that day. A Veterans Day flyer will be posted at the check-in desk and Facebook by mid-October.

8. Facilities

- a. There will be a storage shed clean up on October 28th after club hours. Available Board members are encouraged to help.

- b. A request was made by a member to have the AED placed at the check-in desk instead of in the storage shed. To avoid damage to this sensitive equipment, the AED will remain in the shed where it is fully accessible during club hours.

9. Membership

- a. Beth Arkin reported we currently have 1,150 members. New memberships and renewals for 2024 are now coming in since the initial announcement of the fee increase and Early Bird Special on Oct 1st.
- b. As a gesture of appreciation, Chris Chu suggested that Board members who serve a full year term be exempt from membership fees for the following year.

10. Miscellaneous

- a. The Board is considering two new vendors for additional club merchandise such as mugs, upgraded water bottles, and other branded items.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:06pm. The next meeting will be a general membership meeting to be held on November 2, 2023, at 10am at Tustin Pickleball Court 8.