



Minutes of the BOD Meeting
July 11, 2024 11:15am
Toast Kitchen & Bakery, Tustin

The Board meeting of Tustin Pickleball, a California non-profit corporation was held at 11:15 am at Toast Kitchen & Bakery, Tustin on July 11, 2024. Board members in attendance were Terry Wong, Chiko Wong, Beth Arkin, Carl Cheng, Bonnie Goodman, Greg Goodman, Stella Inta, and JoAnn Spiegel. Gerry Rowland was not in attendance.

1. Call to Order

Terry Wong called the meeting to order at 11:25 am.

2. Approval of 5/23/24 Minutes

The meeting minutes were approved via email.

3. President Report

Terry Wong reported the project to fix the stress crack on courts 2 & 5 is scheduled to begin on August 26, 2024. TUSD is requiring ALL courts be closed from August 26-28 (if the project is done early, the courts could potentially open on August 28). We will communicate the court closure to members via email, Facebook, and Instagram, along with a flyer at the check in desk during the month of August. TUSD will notify all other group(s) who use the courts of the planned closure.

TUSD has suggested we purchase a new AED to replace our existing AED which is now approximately 10 years old. Terry Wong will purchase a new AED. The cost is approximately \$2,400.

4. VP Report

Chiko Wong reported TUSD has approved our requests for court permits for the remainder of the year.

The next Team Challenge event is scheduled for September 21, 28, Oct 5 & 6. 2 matches for each team will be played on Saturdays from 11am to 1pm, with the finals on Sunday October 6th. A new tie breaker format will be used. Registration will begin early August. Participants will be required to pay upon registration, rather than after being placed on a team.

5. Treasurer Report

Terry Wong (on behalf of Gerry Rowland) reported our finances remain strong. Our club is able to fund operations and planned special events through the remainder of the year.

6. Items for Discussion

- a. The following suggestions from members were discussed and the Board agreed not to go forward with the following items.
 1. Discount drop in for guest of members, \$5
Reason: Could encourage more drop-in players and further impact wait times.
 2. Possible free trial for perspective members. First day free.
Reason: Would require TPA to track who had a free trial to prevent multiple trials on different days. A process is already in place for same day trials. If a drop in signs up as a member the same day their drop-in fee is refunded.
 3. Have ice cream truck come during summer months.
Reason: No consensus on value.
 4. Hold special events on Saturdays instead of Sundays
Reason: Since there is already 4 hours of organized play on Saturdays, having special events on Saturdays would result in excessively long days for the all-volunteer staff.
- b. Check in Desk Volunteers – all prospective check in desk volunteers must be sponsored by a Director who will be responsible for their training and support on days they are working. The program currently has 9 volunteers.

- c. The BOD is considering an upgrade to the court webcam to increase the field of view from 90 degrees to a full 180 degrees. This could potentially bring all courts into view. Terry Wong will request a quote from our webcam vendor.
- d. Members Appreciation Lunch – this year’s lunch will be held on Saturday August 10th. TUSD has given us permission again to use the outdoor picnic area in the parking lot near court 10. Jersey Mike’s sandwiches, desserts, and drinks will be served. A Google form will be used to track RSVP’s. An email announcement will be sent to members on Monday, July 29th.

7. Director Updates

- a. Communications – Bonnie Goodman reported we currently have 154 Instagram followers and 1,453 Facebook members.
- b. Events – Carl Cheng sent a survey to members who participated in the Ladder event requesting feedback. Approximately 20% of the participants replied with the following comments and suggestions:
 - 100% liked the event and appreciate the efforts of the organizers
 - Instead of 8 total games, reduce the number of games to 6 or 7
 - Change the pivotal 7th game to an untimed game, so that the semi-finals and finals are both untimed
 - Change the 2-minute warning to a 4-minute warning
 - Change to a round robin format instead of ladder format

All suggestions will be taken into consideration for the next Ladder event.

- c. Facilities – Greg Goodman developed a Google spreadsheet to keep track of all facilities improvement projects and sent a link to all BOD members. Greg is now the club’s representative at Pickleball Central, previously held by Carl Cheng. He will be in charge of ordering pickleballs.
- d. Membership – Beth Arkin reported we currently have 1,050 members.

8. Adjournment

Terry Wong adjourned the meeting at 1:00 pm. The next board meeting will be August 14, 2024 at 11:15a.m. Location will be Black Angus.