

Minutes

Hérons Glen Pickleball Association

Annual Membership Board Meeting

Heron Glen Ball Room

March 31, 2023

Attending: Don Lynch, Steve Simpson, Arlene Scherl, Dennis Crews, Nancy Odom

Meeting called to order at 3:03 by President Don Lynch

1. Minutes from 3/13/23 Board Meeting
Motion made to approve minutes by Nancy Odom seconded by Steve Simpson. All in favor unanimous.
2. Treasurer's Report for March 2023.
Motion made by Steve Simpson to accept Treasurer's report, seconded by Don Lynch. Motion passed.
3. Year in Review Reports
 - a. Treasurer's Report: 2022 Annual Income Statement/Membership update
 - i. Dennis confirmed the Treasury balance of \$4,663.42 as of March 31, 2023 (a \$169 increase in cash over 2022).
 - b. Banquet cost addressed. Question brought up to increase cost to create profit. HGPA is a non-profit association therefore we will strive to keep costs at reasonable price.
 - c. Dues were increased to purchase a ball machine. Purchase will be postponed until a storage facility is provided. Usage of ball machine will be decided by board but will be available to members only.
 - d. Concern of maintenance of ball machine brought up, Barry Glaudel volunteered to maintain.
4. Membership
 - a. Current membership at 192 paid members. Two people given free memberships for holding classes. 194 members represents an approximate 20 percent increase over the 2022-2023 season. 33 new members.

5. Member at Large; Report on Tournaments, Fun Events, and Clinics.
 - a. Nancy reviewed 3 tournaments and fun event. Welcome Back tournament was held as a 2 team event, Dink tournament, Black Light event and Farewell tournament scheduled for 4-10-23.
 - b. Numerous clinics were held during season and big "Thank You" to the instructors and the many member volunteers who assisted with teaching novice clinics and who assisted with tournaments.
 - i. Barry Glaudel ran new novice clinics.
 - ii. Lyn Hibino ran intermediate clinics.
 - iii. Keith Frens brought in 3 pro's for clinics.
 - iv. Wayne Spitzig held intermediate and advanced clinics.
 - c. Special thanks to David Luttrell for donating black lights used in fun event, and Tom Foster for emceeding all events and providing sound equipment.
 - d. The TeamReach application will be utilized to facilitate registration for clinics, tournaments and the ladder league in future seasons. Don Lynch developed a tutorial on how to use the TeamReach; it is now accessible through the HGPA website.
6. Ball Usage; Vice President
 - a. In 12 month time frame 668 balls were used. This translates to 1.8 balls per day and 3.5 balls per paid member per year.
 - b. Ball usage is up as longer play time has been noted.
 - c. Purchase of ball machine will increase the number of balls needed.
 - d. Pickleball Center is used as there is a 5% discount and 5% goes to HGPA.
 - e. Keith Frens provides 20% discount through Engage website.
7. Tennis/Pickleball Banquet review
 - a. Event "Serving up Fun" was held 2/18/23. There were 162 attendees who paid \$30 per person for the event. The \$30 price included dinner, soft drinks, DJ and cake. A 50/50 drawing was held resulting in approximately \$218 decrease in revenue for the treasury. Reviews on DJ and event were positive. DJ will be contacted for 2024 banquet. Thank you goes out to Decorating/Sales Committee consisting of chair Laura Uggerholt, Karen Coburn, Kathy Lynch, Christine Crews, Marilyn

Marilyn Magiera, Rhonda Parkinson, Debbie Polenska and any others who volunteered their time.

8. Clothing Sales Report

- a. Melanie Westfall headed up clothing sales. Tina Lewis, a resident of Herons Glen, did the graphics on items for price of \$3 on front, \$5 on back. President Don Lynch expressed his appreciation to Melanie for her hard work.

9. President's report

- a. Don encouraged members to sign up for the end of season Farewell Tournament and Pizza Party to be held April 10, 2023 from 8:30 to noon.
- b. New courts status. Hopefully will be done before fall. A 36 inch gap will be opened between courts 2 and 3 to provide better access to new courts. Pavers will be placed between the existing courts and new courts. New shaded bench will be provided at new courts. A storage shed is on order and will have electricity. After new courts are completed, existing courts will be inspected to determine if improvements are necessary. Work to be done on existing courts should be provided as maintenance issue.
- c. Ball machine. Purchase will be postponed until new courts are completed and storage shed is available.
- d. Special recognition was given to the many volunteers in the association including: clinic instructors and teachers, Tom Foster for all that he does as a goodwill ambassador, Dennis Crews for maintaining the association's website, and to Janet Kerns who once again stepped up as the Sunshine Committee to ensure members received get well cards, sympathy cards, and/or expressions of care for our members.
- e. Tim encouraged all members to get involved in the association and to actively seek club improvement by volunteering for duties, teaching clinics, running for the board, and any other means of participation.

10. New Business

- a. Introduction of new and existing board members for 2023-2024
President: Nancy Odom
Vice-President: Arlene Scherl
Secretary: Paul Erickson

Treasurer: Dennis Crews

Member at Large: Barry Glaudel

b. Retiring board members: Don Lynch and Steve Simpson

11. Member Comments and Questions

- a. Why are we getting 3 new courts instead of 4? Determined by board that 2 courts would be tournament size thereby space would only allow for 3 new courts. Since cost of courts has increased, 2 new courts are being built with the third court available planned for future development.
- b. Will courts have lights? New courts will have lights with a switch and will be available till 9:00.
- c. Will we be getting a water fountain? The existing water line was cut in several places during construction therefore water line will be replaced. Consideration being given to bottle filler.
- d. Are we getting wind screens? Wind screens are on order.
- e. Since pickleball participation has increased why don't we have a visitor policy? Guests are required to play with resident. We do have skill level hours of play. Good judgement should be used as to how many guests per resident is acceptable.
- f. Should intermediate hours of play be increased? Currently we have 117 members self-designated as intermediate and 38 advanced. Numerous ideas discussed at meeting, consensus was we will wait till new courts are completed and see if participation continues. Completion of bocce and shuffleboard area should help with numbers. Suggestions brought up in meeting will be considered to level out playing time in new season.

12. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Bob Barney, seconded by Janet Kerns. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 4:04.