

Highlands Pickleball Association

Board Meeting Minutes – January 18, 2023

2:00 p.m. – Catalina II Room

At 2:00 p.m. President Mike Cook called the meeting to order. All Board members were in attendance. There were 60 attendees, including the Board.

Mike Cook welcomed all new members and asked them to stand up and introduce themselves. Catherine Shifflet introduced herself to the group.

Community Manager, Mark Oswald updated the group on the new pickleball courts. Hopefully within a few weeks debris and sand will be removed from the tennis court that is to be converted. Then architects will be able to work on the plans. The HOA Board approved construction of the courts to begin around the 3rd quarter of 2023 and at a cost not to exceed \$212,000. The contractors have to remove all existing material, fencing, etc. This could be a three bid process. Eight sets of lights, already installed, will be converted to LCD lighting.

Mike Cook said the HPA's Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 5, 2023 in the ballroom. The meeting will begin at 4:00 with dinner following for those who choose. Because of increasing food costs he announced that the Social Committee met and suggested to charge each member for part of the meal. He said members would pay \$15.00 each and non-members and guests would be charged the full price at \$23.00 per meal. A motion was made and seconded to charge the members \$15.00 each and non-members and guests \$23.00. The HPA Board voted and approved the charge as stated.

Mike Cook announced to the group that there are two HPA board members that terms are up in February that will not be running. He asked that for Treasurer Lonnie Leifer be considered and for Secretary Daphne Hetherington. He asked that if anyone else was interested to send an email to JoAnn Jones. The voting will be held at the Annual Meeting in February.

Mike Cook asked the Scheduling and Court Usage Committee to accept names for the two new positions on that Committee. Chairman Mike Cravens and Nancy Chaffee will not stay on for another term. Gail Epperson and Patrick Callahan volunteered to stay for another term. If anyone is interested please contact Gail Epperson at scheduler@highlandspickleball.com.

Mike Cook then introduced Gary Thalman to talk about the club tournament play. Gary showed interest in being involved in the Competition Committee that will be started soon. Gary explained to the group that we could have an individual play tournament in early spring before the snow birds leave.

Steve Wendt talked to the group about the new Ambassador Program. This would be for new members who do not know where to go once they complete their beginning classes and how to get into a group, etc. The Social Committee is organizing a time when all members can come to the court once a week and meet other members and play pickleball. In February we will start these meetings at the courts at 4:00 pm every Monday. You will need to sign up on Court Reserve to participate.

Mike Cook reviewed the HOA Rules and Regulations on “Music on the Courts”. It clearly states the rules which need to be followed. Any future complaints need to be addressed by the HPA and HTA.

Open Forum

Dave Epperson asked if anyone has a used pickleball paddle they aren't using to donate it to the association so members that need to try something different or are in need of a paddle could get some use out of it.

There being no further discussions or actions, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

JoAnn Jones, HPA Secretary