

**Western Slope Pickleball Club**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 5:00-6:45pm**  
**Ed Bozarth Chevrolet Building**

Board of Directors:

President - Brenda Furnace	Fundraising Director: Aiaga Roffey
Vice President -Mike Cox	Secretary-Linda Griffith
Treasurer-	Social Director: Jan Kerr
Web Site-Tracy Dvorak	Outreach Director: Bruce Gregg
Tournament Director: Jane McKnight	
Stand by Treasurer: Nancy Eaton	
Membership Director/Communications: George Gerson	
Members at large: Nancy Burdette.	

The meeting was called to order by Club President, Brenda Furnace at 5:02pm. Brenda welcomed everyone and asked for additional agenda items. None were added.

Board Attendees: Brenda Furnace, Tracy Dvorak, Jan Kerr, Linda Griffith, Jane McKnight, George Gerson, Nancy Eaton, Aiaga Roffey, Bob Funderburk, Bruce Gregg, Nancy Burdette and Eileen Egloff (Newsletter).

Absences: Mike Cox, and Lorie Gregor.

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting: (March 14th)) All members present received an email copy of the minutes prior to the meeting. A **MOTION** was made by Jane and seconded by Jan to accept the minutes with no corrections or additions. The motion carried with a unanimous “aye” from all members.

Officer Reports:

Misc. from President/Brenda:

1. Electronic Board Meeting Minutes: (records on file-copy given to Board members for review)
  - Club Caps & Visors Purchase from Nexgen Promotions March 20-23<sup>rd</sup> –  
**RESOLVED & APPROVED**
  - Early Club Membership Drive Begins April 7<sup>th</sup>, March 24-27<sup>th</sup> – **RESOLVED & APPROVED.**
2. Treasurer – Motion needed to approve Bob Funderburk as Club Treasurer. After a brief discussion a **MOTION** was made by George and seconded by Tracy to accept Bob as Club Treasurer. The motion carried with a unanimous “aye” from all members.

3. Annual Club Meeting: Brenda reserved the LP Barn for Thursday, June 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 -7:30 pm. (reserved times are 5 – 8 pm to allow for set up and tear down.

Standby Treasurer/Nancy E: (Financial reports ending March 31<sup>st</sup> distributed at meeting)

After review, a **MOTION** was made by Nancy B. and seconded by Bruce to accept the financial reports with no corrections or additions. The motion carried with a unanimous “aye” from all members.

Fundraising Director/Aiaga: (email report on file-sent to all Board members prior to meeting)

1. Discount Cards – Aiaga contacted Alyssia at [xtramanfundraising.org](http://xtramanfundraising.org) to order 100 cards for the Club with 13 local vendors. Receipt of the discount cards will be prior to the Club Annual Meeting. The Club membership will be apprised of this fundraising effort and asked to sell cards at \$20 per card. The Club will realize a \$10/card profit for fundraising purposes.
2. Boston's Restaurant Fundraiser – postponed.
3. Shade for summer at LP – Brenda showed Board members a prototype bench shade she designed, constructed (with Glenn Furnace's help) and placed on one bench at the east LP courts. She would like Board members to take a look and with Board approval, begin a construction campaign to cover all 4 benches. Board feedback was very positive and this effort will be addressed at the May meeting. Add to Next Steps List.

Aiaga and Ed Roffey have 2 fold-able shade tents they would like to donate to the Club. All Board members present expressed their thanks to the Roffeys for their generosity.

4. Future Fundraising Events: Culture Day – discuss more after June 2018. Add to Next Steps List.

Outreach/Bruce:

1. 24 Road Clean Up – Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup> at 10 am until done. Bruce has 14 Club volunteers. Bruce mentioned Club volunteers exceeded his request and was impressed by the Club support of this project over the last year.
2. P.L.A.C.E. Update – next volunteer meeting regarding the GJ Community Center is scheduled for Thursday, April 26 at the Unitarian Church from 5:30-6:30 pm. He will not be able to attend. Linda will attend to represent WSPC and bring back any new information to the Board at the May meeting.

Membership/Communications/George:

1. Membership-The final membership number for the year ending May 31, 2018 is 262; up from 184 the previous year. This is an increase in membership of 42.4%. Over 84% of first year members renewed their memberships last year. We had 107 new members. Of the 262 members last year, 33 (12.6%) were from outside Mesa County.

The membership drive for the year starting June 1, 2018 began on the day of our WSPC tournament. In the first 11 days of the drive I have received **97** membership applications. That includes **35** new members. The high proportion of new members (nearly half) is a result of **8** new members from Ft Collins who joined for the express purpose of taking discounted lessons from Tao (this weekend). Nearly all of the other new members came from the clinics held on April 14.

Miscellaneous: The following players have complimentary Club memberships: Tao Thongvanh, Lorie Gregor, Marc Summers (Club attorney) + Laura (wife) and Roy Gamble (lifetime membership). After a short discussion, the Board members agreed to keep these complimentary memberships for the 2018-19 year.

2. Communications - Tracy and I met with Tao yesterday to design the most effective way of advertising the instructional program that Tao is offering and finding the most efficient method of conducting participant registration by electronic means. Tracy is working on the latter and hopefully she will come up with a good solution in the next couple of days. Tao will be conducting a "Boot Camp" for eight players from Ft Collins on the West courts this weekend. He would like to start offering lessons to our local players starting as soon as this Monday. While not yet finalized, this is his tentative program (note that the lesson charge includes the cost of renting the courts): Private one-hour individual lessons. The cost is \$45 for WSPC members and \$65 for non-members Private 1½ hour lessons for two. The cost per player is \$35 for members and \$55 for non-members. You must register together with another player of your choice.

Three- day Boot Camps for 8 players. The cost is \$150 per player for members and \$300 for non-members, paid in advance. Each Boot Camp will be for a specific skill level. The Boot Camps will be held on Friday through Sunday on the specified dates.

We hope to be able to get out a program announcement with registration instructions in the next couple of days.

3. Tracy is now an editor on the Club Facebook page so she can post.

Tournament Director/Jane: (reports on file and distributed to all Board members)

1. WSPC 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Doubles Tournament Wrap Up – Very successful with lots of positive comments from players during the tournament. Jane would like to thank all the tournament volunteers and referees for their time and efforts. Total Club expenses were \$465.95. Many of the supplies purchased will be used again at future tournaments.
2. WSPC 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Singles Tournament Wrap Up – consider moving to a Sept. or October 2019 date. Overall the tournament was a great success. More relaxed than the Doubles Tournament. Net cost to Club = \$6.02. Each of 27 players paid \$5 to participate.
3. 2018-19 Tournament “Draft” Budget – Jane presented 3 draft budget scenarios for Board review. Yearly tournaments include 2 S16s, Singles and Doubles. Each scenario showed cost for medals vs. certificates in different combinations awarded at the Singles and Doubles competitions. There were a few suggestions from players asking to include medals. Jane did include a budget line item for “volunteer gifts” for the Singles & Doubles Tournaments. No Board decision at this time. Discuss at May meeting.
4. Revised Tournament Director Manual – Jane is in the process of completing.

Website/Tracy:

1. Updates - “Calendar” of future tournaments in area and upcoming Club events added. Will be updated by George & Tracy.  
New – 2018 Pickleball Training with Tao will posted on WSPC Website with registration online to follow.
2. Digital Suggestion Box Report – windsock at LP & PR. Tracy has received permission from GJ Parks & Rec and P & R Maintenance Dept will place it at the courts. A **MOTION** was made by Nancy E. and seconded by Bruce to proceed with purchase of 2 windsocks. Tracy estimates about \$40-50/sock with shipping. The motion carried with 9 “aye” votes and 1 “nay”.
3. Tracy reached out to Lorie about P&R adding League play in their programming. Many cities have this - Ft. Collins, Murray Utah, etc. If she says it's something they can do, then I propose a board discussion in the future if we want to pursue. NOTE: Please consider what I am doing as a fact-finding mission, as if it were in committee, NOT me going off reservation and conducting business behind the board's back. No decisions happen without board approval. I feel it's a waste of time to present an idea to the board if it's not even possible in the first place.
4. Club Website URL: Too long? Buy a shorter domain name to be “redirected” to

current website? Need Board discussion and motion – May agenda item.

5. 2018-19 Club Sponsorship application – revised copy presented to Board. After some discussion, Board members decided to wait and have further discussion at May meeting. Brenda suggested sponsorship levels. Tracy, Aiaga and Brenda will try to meet before the May meeting and present a plan. Add to Next Steps List.

#### Social/Jan:

1. Jan will be resigning from the Board effective June 1<sup>st</sup> to attend to family matters. Jan will email a resignation letter to Linda soon. Brenda thanked Jan (and Barry) for her fine leadership and willingness to make Club events happen. Jan replied she will still be volunteering and remain an active Club member.
2. Jan submitted a “draft” budget for 2018-19 fiscal year of \$900. Same as last year.

#### Parks & Rec/Lorie: (in Lorie's absence, Brenda reported-email to all Board members prior to meeting)

1. 2- 8' x 8' Storage Sheds – are available and in need of some repair. If the Club is interested in them let Lorie know. They are located at Matchett Park and can be worked on there. The Maintenance Dept. would move and install them at LP and PR courts when repaired. Parks & Rec would like to share the storage for tournament supplies. The Club would need to set up a process to insure the security of the contents. Brenda has spoken with Bruce Jensen about looking at them and estimating refurbishing costs. Follow-up at May meeting.

#### Miscellaneous/Brenda/Linda:

1. Club Officer Ballots – per Club bylaws, we have four board officers (president, vice-president, treasurer, and secretary). Our bylaws require that two of the four officers run for election each year (2-year terms). Other than the officers, we have three of the remaining eight board members retiring: Jane, Jan, and Nancy B. That means we have 5 board openings to fill. Brenda & George will compose an email to Club members with a list of Board positions available, asking for nominations.
2. Club Goals for June 2018-May 31, 2019 – the list was discussed and Linda will email the agreed upon revised list to all Board members before the May meeting.

Club Accomplishments for June 2017-May 31, 2018 – Board discussion followed with changes and additions. Linda will email the revised list to George for member notification in early May.

3. Brenda has been approached to change the current locks on the Storage boxes at LP & PR to a more user-friendly type. She is requesting permission to purchase 3 locks. A **MOTION** was made by George and seconded by Bruce to purchase 3 new “easy open” locks with Club funds. The motion carried with

a unanimous “aye” from all members.

4. Brenda & Linda submitted a 2018-19 budget amount of \$100 for office supplies.

Next Steps:

Large Storage cabinet/unit for each court location-revisit in spring or summer  
2018 -This item on “hold”-to be addressed w/LP Pickleball Complex  
Nexgen “online” purchases - follow-up  
Policy on flowers and memorial contributions for members  
Guest speakers at future Board meetings  
GJ Community Center support – ongoing  
Referee Training & Club challenge  
WSPC Capital Improvement Fund  
Policy for Club Membership for person under 18 years old  
Policy for Club bulk purchases requiring bids  
Change Club URL – shorter?  
GJ Parks & Rec League play?  
Club Sponsorship levels  
Budget approval for: Social/Tournaments  
2- 8' x 8' Storage sheds from Parks & Rec  
Board Approval needed: Shades for court benches campaign-build them  
Webcam for LP?  
Creation of Communications Software  
Create on line registration for Club members  
Possible future Fundraiser – Culture Day

Date for Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 23rd, 2018 at 5:00 at Ed Bozarth.

Adjournment: Brenda adjourned the meeting at 6:57 pm.

Submitted: May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Linda Griffith, WSPC Secretary