

**Annual WSPC Meeting Minutes**  
**Lincoln Park Barn**  
**6:00-7:30 p.m.**  
**June 7, 2018**

**Board Members**

President - Brenda Furnace	Fundraising Director: Aiaga Roffey
Vice President -Mike Cox	Secretary-Linda Griffith
Treasurer- Beth Klein	Stand by Treasurer: Nancy Eaton
Membership/Communications Director: George Gerson	
Web Site-Tracy Dvorak	Outreach Director-Bruce Gregg
Members at large: Walter Cummings; Bill McEnteer	

Brenda Furnace, WSPC President called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm. She welcomed all attendees and guest speakers.

34 attendees were present. 33 members and 1 non Club member (Attendance roster on file)

Miscellaneous from Brenda:

1. Club Election results: Two new Members-At-Large were voted in by the members. Brenda introduced Walter Cummings (Lincoln Park Rep.) and Bill McEnteer (Pineridge Rep) and asked them to stand and be recognized. Walter and Bill will represent players and be in charge of the storage/lost & found boxes at each court(s). Three Board members were re-elected unopposed. Communications/Membership Director- George Gerson, Secretary- Linda Griffith and Website-Tracy Dvorak

Officer Updates: (each Board member gives a 3-5 minute update)

Treasurer-Beth Klein: Brenda introduced Beth as our newly appointed Club Treasurer.

Beth gave the highlights of the Club financial report. The Cash Disbursement Journal (June 2017-May 2018) and Revenue & Expense Cash Basis Report ending 05/31/18 were posted for attendee review. Beth asked if there were any questions. There were none.

Fundraising-Aiaga Roffey: Next event scheduled is the Doubles Dual on Saturday, June 16. The sign-up deadline is June 9<sup>th</sup>. Individuals sign-up and are matched with a partner to play 4 hours of pickleball in the morning and 9 holes of golf . Lunch is included.

Currently, the Club is selling Xtraman Discount Cards for \$20 each. The Club gets \$10 for each card sold. Many local and national vendors are listed on the

card and website so buy one, register your card online and start saving. Aiaga has cards available if any members wish to sell or buy any. Future fundraisers will be announced via email.

Outreach-Bruce: In Bruce's absence, Brenda submitted Bruce's report:

Almost 200 people have participated in the beginning and intermediate pickleball clinics since our last annual meeting. A joint effort between Parks and Rec. They organize and advertise and our members teach the clinics. Our mission statement includes BUILDING A STRONG PICKLEBALL COMMUNITY BY PROMOTING, TEACHING, TRAINING, AND BUILDING OUR SPORT. And, TO PROMOTE HEALTH AND FITNESS OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC BY ENCOURAGING PARTICIPATION IN THE SPORT OF PICKLEBALL.

We are accomplishing that mission through the clinics. Thanks to George for his work in this area.

24 ROAD ADOPT A ROAD-We've had 3 clean-ups to date and the effort has been well received by both our members and the city. Over 40 members have volunteered so far. This has turned out to be a great project to enhance the city and provide positive publicity for the club. 4 members have participated in every clean-up and need to be recognized: Gregg Bilger, Barb and Terry Douchant, and Wanda Robinson. Our next clean-up will be in late summer.

Bruce is working on other programs to involve families and children in pickleball.

Membership/Communications-George Gerson:

In our first year ending May 2016 the Club had 184 members including 26 from outside Mesa County.

In our second year which just ended, our membership reached a total of 262, an increase of 41% over the first year. That included 107 new members and 155 renewals. We had 33 members from outside Mesa County.

We are now on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of our new year and we started our membership drive immediately following the Club tournament on April 7. As of today, our membership totals 256. It includes 74 new members and 182 renewals. We have 44 members from outside Mesa County. Tao's lessons have contributed greatly, as have the beginner/intermediate clinics to increased membership numbers.

We have a lot of events planned for our members this year starting with next month's Sweet 16s. I also have a new shipment of hats and visors including black hats and black visors. So if you have not yet joined or renewed, please do it soon. You may find a list of membership benefits and an application at our website or I can send one to you. You may also get one from me at the courts.

Website-Tracy Dvorak: Tracy asked the attendees what they like about the Website.

Photos and calendar of events were named. She encouraged everyone to visit our website, [westernslopepickleballclub.com](http://westernslopepickleballclub.com) frequently – there is a lot of information there! Most recently, an anonymous “Suggestion Box” has been added to allow anyone to give feedback or ask a question. One such request, for wind socks at Lincoln Park and Pineridge is being addressed.

Tracy asked everyone to go to our Facebook page and “like” us – another great source of information and Club events.

One suggestion from the group was to post Ladder Play results on the website. Tracy said she would get with Walter and see if that could happen.

Committee Reports-Brenda: Social events in the upcoming year will be communicated by email soon. Several fun events are currently being planned.

Tournaments – Jane McKnight is spearheading the organization of Club events and working closely with the Board. She is finalizing dates for the September Sweet 16 and October Singles competition. The next Sweet 16 will be 3 Saturdays in July with 3.0/3.5/4.0+ divisions playing. Watch for emails announcing registration.

Brenda asked attendees to check out the volunteer sheets for various upcoming Club activities and sign up.

Parks & Recreation-Lorie Gregor: Lorie commented the Club website is extremely professional and her staff is fielding about 10 phone calls a week asking “When Do People Play Pickleball?”

Future vision for Pickleball in GJ: Multiple pickleball courts at Lincoln Park is the goal and the current City Manager is being approached regarding a plan to convert the 6 tennis courts to pickleball courts. Remember: The plan must “fit” in the current footprint of the tennis court area. Just in the planning stages for now but will keep the Club informed and in the planning “loop”. The Club is a key part of raising funds for the project and showing community involvement and support.

Guest Speakers:

Judy Herr from P.L.A.C.E. - GJ Community Recreation Center Update

Currently, their organization, has been working since 2015 toward a Community Rec. Center. They have hired Will & Perkins Denver Consultants to compile a

feasibility study to be presented to the GJ City Council in July. A public City Council Meeting will be July 17<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am-plan to attend and show your support. Two public surveys have been completed and signed petitions of support for the rec. center have been compiled. Included in the proposal to the City council will be the information gathered by Will & Perkins and the surveys to include: market/site analysis, amenities, economic benefits, costs, financial options and concept design. The presentation will be made to the City Council on July 16 at 5:30 pm. Judy will circulate a petition of support for the Rec Center and a list of volunteer opportunities to help P.L.A.C.E. The soonest a ballot initiative will be addressed is Spring of 2019.

SOAR Physical Therapist-Michelle Oberndorf: (attachment on file)

Michelle distributed a list, with illustrations, of Pickleball Warm Up & Cool Down stretches and exercises. She asked everyone to stand up and do each movement with her. All attendees participated and got a very good workout.

Suggestion by attendees: Next annual meeting have speakers use a microphone.

Meeting adjourned by Brenda at 7:35 pm.

Submitted June 21, 2018 by:

Linda Griffith

WSPC Secretary