

**Western Slope Pickleball Club**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 5:00-6:45pm**  
**Ed Bozarth Chevrolet Building**

President - Brenda Furnace  
Vice President – Bruce Gregg  
Treasurer- Beth Klein  
Membership/Communications Director: George Gerson  
Web Site-Tracy Dvorak  
Members at large: Walter Cummings; Bill McEnteer

Fundraising Director: Aiaga Roffey  
Secretary-Linda Griffith  
Stand by Treasurer: Nancy Eaton  
Outreach Director- Jeffrey Smith

Board Attendees: Brenda Furnace, Beth Klein, Linda Griffith, Bruce Gregg, George Gerson, Jeffrey Smith, Walter Cummings and Tracy Dvorak.

Absences: Aiaga Roffey.

The meeting was called to order by Club President, Brenda Furnace at 5:03 pm. Brenda welcomed everyone. Brenda asked for additional agenda items.

Additional Agenda Items:

1. Thank you cards to be signed – per Club policy, several Club members will receive Thank You cards from the Board on behalf of the membership recognizing their contributions to the Club. The group decided that Brenda/President and Linda/Secretary would sign and mail the cards.
2. Bill – snow removal at Pineridge courts – see At-Large Officer reports.
3. Brenda/Beth – Club insurance information – see Treasurer report.

Minutes of Last Meeting (November 26, 2018-copies to all Board members prior)

A **MOTION** was made by Bill and seconded by George to approve the minutes with no corrections. The motion carried with a unanimous “aye” from all members.

Misc. from President/Brenda:

1. Ed Roffey videos on website- Ed would like to share videos of pickleball tips on the Club website and Facebook page in the near future. He is currently experimenting with getting quality video to post. Brenda asked if there were any objections to posting these videos. No objections from the Board. Thank you to Ed for taking the time and initiative to address pickleball questions/tips.
2. Email question from a Business Sponsor regarding additional recognition/perks for offering discounted paddles. After a short discussion the group decided the current Sponsor/Club relationship is mutually beneficial and no additional perks

would be offered. Brenda will respond. (Sponsor email and Brenda's response on file).

3. Invitation to Anna Goetz – Brenda extended an invitation to Anna Goetz to join the Club Board as Social Director. Board members present agreed. Brenda will let the Board know of Anna's decision.
4. Policy for Club Member Family Loss/Illness and Thank You Cards/Linda: (written/signed policy on file) Linda distributed a copy of the policy that was approved by the Board at the November meeting. No additions or corrections.

#### OFFICER REPORTS:

##### Vice President/Bruce:

1. 24 Road Clean Up – Next date will be in late February. Date to be announced.
2. P.L.A.C.E. Update-Now designated as Grand Junction Community Center Campaign (GJCCC). Brenda & Linda attended a volunteer information meeting Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> and reported briefly to the Board. Linda distributed some information on how to write a “Letter To The Editor” as well as a summary of information about the Community Center. GJCCC is presenting informative meetings over the next month and Bruce suggested an email to Club members to encourage attendance of the Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> meeting at the Unitarian Church on Ouray St. Additionally, Linda will include the Community Center summary information. A **MOTION** by Jeffrey and seconded by Walter was made to email Club members.

Treasurer-Beth: Financial reports ending Dec 31st were emailed to all Board members prior to this meeting-on file.

Beth presented a review of the financial reports and indicated she has changed variance reporting on the Revenue & Expenses report to a percentage

A **MOTION** was made by George and seconded by Walter to accept the financial reports with no corrections or additions. The motion carried with a unanimous “aye” from all members.

Budget items for the 2019-2020 fiscal year will be due April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019.

In response to Beth's inquiry regarding Club liability and accident insurance premiums: Brenda gave Beth copies of last year's premium notices and indicated she would call the company and request current invoices that would be due in late March.

George suggested a better reporting system/process so Club membership dues reflect exactly the number of Club members during each fiscal year. The problem arises when Club dues are paid in April-May for the following year that begins June 1<sup>st</sup>. Beth will research possible options to hold these dues in a Club account until they can be deposited during the appropriate membership year.

Outreach/Jeffrey:

1. Parade Float Budget for 2019-2020 – After a short discussion regarding the positive impact of Christmas parade participation, the group endorsed continuing Club participation. Expenses that should be included in the Club budget: candy (\$25/1200 pieces), float construction (~\$200) and parade entry fees for GJ & Fruita. Jeffrey also suggested the Club submit an entry form for the GJ parade earlier to get a position nearer the front. This would, hopefully, cut down on the wait time in the cold. Jeffrey will submit a line item for the parades with his Outreach budget.
2. Future projects – GJ Parks & Rec Kid's Star Camp. The group briefly explained the Club's volunteer role last summer in support of teaching children age 6-12 Pickleball. Jeffrey will take the lead on this project – will contact Lorie Gregor and Nancy Burford (Club lead last year) to express our desire to participate again this year.

Fundraising-Aiaga: No report.

Membership/Communications-George:

One new member was added since the November meeting. These are the current numbers:

Membership Period	Total Members	New Members	Renewing Members
06/01/18-11/26/18	318	120	198
06/01/17-05/31/18	262	107	155

Seven months into the current year the membership is 21% above the total for last year. Membership renewal stands at 76%. Membership renewal last year was 84%.

Website-Tracy:

1. FB Guidelines – Tracy will compose guidelines after further clarification regarding public vs. non-profit FB page. Currently, we are a public page and posting by anyone except the page administrators is not readily seen. Tracy will continue to research this issue.
2. Wind Socks (3)- in progress.
3. WSPC new/additional URL – WSPCGJ.org is now available to access [westernslopepickleballclub.com](http://westernslopepickleballclub.com) website.
4. Trackithub.com Follow Up – This possible communication & membership software tool will not be used at this time. After review of the site by George, Tracy and the Board it was agreed that George can continue with his updated AOL email. Tracy will continue to research a method for Club on-line registration.
5. Website Update – Tao's background bio now posted on Club website.

### Pineridge & Lincoln Park Reports/Bill & Walter:

1. LP/Walter – working on singles ladder play start up. Randy & Walter will be playing on Tues and Thurs at Lincoln Park (weather & court permitting) if anyone wants to practice.

The current email from GJ P & R was briefly discussed. Board members reinforced that no one except City Maintenance crews should be removing snow from any Pickleball/Tennis courts to avoid court surface damage. Players will have to be patient.

Court dividers on east LP courts – Walter will start a conversation with Lorie to find out if this is a possibility.

Round Robin Play on west LP courts – discussion and plan to be discussed at Feb meeting.

2. Pineridge/Bill – requested GJ Parks and Rec remove snow from the 2 permanent pickleball courts at Pineridge. Players are very anxious to play. Linda will contact Parks & Rec and make the request.

Bill asked if there is a possibility of construction of sun shades at Pineridge similar to the ones at Lincoln Park? Brenda and Bill will work on a prototype. Bill will submit a design. Lorie Gregor will need to be in the conversation and planning also.

### Committee Reports:

Tournaments/Tao: The Club Tournament format will be communicated to members soon.

Socials/Anna & Mary: Brenda met with Anna & Mary Tuesday, Jan 8<sup>th</sup>. They have several suggestions for Club activities and Anna would like to send a short Survey Monkey questionnaire to the membership in the near future.

George will send an email introducing Anna & Nancy, heads up about the survey and contact info for Club volunteers.

### Next Steps Items:

GJ Community Center support – ongoing  
Referee Training & Club challenge  
Policy for Club Membership for person under 18 years old  
Policy for Club bulk purchases requiring bids  
Area (other towns) League play?  
On Line Registration for Club membership

Possible future Fundraiser – Culture Day  
Local publications – Pickleball events coverage needed. Club liaison?  
Drone footage of LP & PR Pickleball Courts  
Future round robin play at Lincoln Park outdoor courts – **Feb agenda item**  
Pickleball court dividers to reduce play interruption – **Feb agenda item**  
Sunshades at Pineridge?  
Club FB guidelines  
Budgets due by April 2019 meeting

Additional Agenda Item: Brenda called for an executive “closed session” to present a matter to the group.

Date for Next Meeting: Wed., February 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 at Ed Bozarth.

Adjournment: Brenda adjourned the meeting at 6:45 pm.

Submitted: January 20th, 2019  
Linda Griffith  
WSPC Secretary