

02/06/2024 General Meeting of Members

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 by President Peg Oberg. A quorum was verified. New members were welcomed.

Minutes of last general meeting held January 9, 2024, were approved as distributed.

Executive Board Reports

President Peg Oberg

- a) Peg reported on a kitchen mess caused by careless use of the coffee pots by persons unknown. She urged everyone to check before leaving the kitchen.
- b) There has been a problem with a loud blower used on the bocce courts during league play. The HOA office has been informed.
- c) Thanks to Jerry Pointer, Rod Gamble, Joela Marenda, and Mike O'Brien for their work on revising the Standing Rules, Policies and Procedures.

Vice President Ed Jolley

- a) Ed reported that the north snack shack door has been adjusted. Just remember to turn the lock after pulling the door shut.
- b) One ball machine is awaiting repair.
- c) Ed urged the members to get a food handler's license.

Secretary Judy Sheridan-Christensen

- a) Judy reported that a problem accessing the Standing Rules on the website has been fixed. Brian will double check.
- b) The scrapbooks from the Club's early years need repair; volunteers needed. They are available for check-out.

Treasurer Brian Crowe

- a) Brian distributed the current profit/loss statement electronically. There is \$51,485.57 currently available. Current membership is 240, with 18 new members.
- b) Brian thanked members who have recently donated time or money to the club and the facilities: Shelley Saylor, Randy Kruger, Terry Garrett, Roger Stein.

Member-at-Large John Berger

- a) John suggested that perhaps bocce or shuffleboard people may be responsible for the coffee mess in the snack shack.
- b) John will be the coordinator for the Mesa Regal 1.5-2.0 breakout.

Committee reports

- a. Social Committee. Sue Hertel announced sign-up for Venture Out will begin soon. Sign up with a partner of either gender or as a single.

b. Use of Funds Committee.

-Peg announced that the fence replacement for the north courts will commence after our tournament, with funds provided by Bingo and the HOA, with no cost to the Tennis Club.
-Larry Delp will call a meeting to discuss Center Court improvements when the weather is better.

-Larry also discussed a demonstration of the VAPTR PRO court drying sweeper system on west valley courts. He was very impressed with the ease and efficiency of the sweeper, and recommended purchasing one for \$3150 to try, with the possibility of purchasing more in the future. Rod Gamble so moved, the motion was seconded and passed by the membership.

c. Webmaster, Trainer, Ratings Committee, Bingo take-down. Bulletin Board, and Sunshine committees all are going smoothly with nothing new to report.

d. MCI Coordinator. Peg pointed out that teams for next year must be reported to EVSTL by April 15, so urged captains to poll their teams on plans for the 2024-25 season.

e. SSV Tournament Committee.

- Les Fahey reported that on-line registration for our tournament continues until February 29. He urged members to get a partner and sign up. Sign-up for volunteer work is also open on-line. Non club members can also volunteer.

- John Snyder is the coordinator of scorekeepers for the Tournament. He urged SSV scorekeepers to sign up to help at the SVE tournament; and will urge SVE scorekeepers to reciprocate at our tournament. He will be arranging training for new scorekeepers. He said it is possible to both compete in the tournament and keep score.

- There was discussion of other EVSTL clubs which have tournaments not entering our tournament to the extent that SSV teams enter theirs. Cal Chute wondered if there is any information on why this imbalance exists and wondered if not having three games guaranteed could be a factor. Brian urged Peg to communicate this issue to other club presidents at the next EVSTL meeting.

-Tom Arnold presented information on purchasing a new grill for the tournament. He has researched grills and discussed sharing the grill with softball. He moved that we purchase the grill for \$3800, which includes shipping and tax. Jay Gard seconded the motion, and it was approved by the membership. Softball may reimburse the TC for 50% of the cost.

f. Ball Recycling. Marika Gard reported we have sent 13,000 used tennis balls to recycling in the last year. She has also aided SVE in getting recycling started. John Snyder continues to be the project sponsor, paying the shipping costs.

Election of Officers

President Peg explained that since there was an opening for secretary in the slate presented at the last meeting, according to our By-laws, the floor is open for nominations for secretary. Joela Marendia nominated Nancy Fahey and Nancy accepted the nomination. There were no other nominations. It was moved, seconded and approved that the slate of officers, including Nancy, be

elected. New officers are Ed Jolley, President; Les Fahey, Vice-President, Nancy Fahey, Secretary, Lois Stickell, treasurer; John Berger, Member-at-Large.

Old Business. Ed Jolley continues to work on arranging open fun play on Wednesday and Sunday evenings. This would be open to all SSV residents,

New Business.

- Peg announced that the SSV Veteran's Club representative will be at our March meeting to inform us about "Packages from Home" boxes for our armed forces personnel overseas. We will have the opportunity to make monetary donations as individuals and to volunteer to help pack boxes.

-John Pearce has offered and been approved by the EB to organize and captain a Blue Men's Rec team. John announced that the group would play on Friday mornings.

-Discussion of Move-up/Move-down policy for this year. At the January 29 EB meeting, the following was approved: we will follow the EVSTL criteria in place at the beginning of the 2023-24 league season, for this year only. That means if a player has played a minimum of 8 matches and won 75% of matches and 55% of games, the player has the option of moving to the next level.

Discussion followed, with members making the following points.

One member stated the membership approved a move-up method of on-court challenge when the new Standing Rules were approved, and that method should be our only option. Other members contended that there have always been two paths to moving up, one by statistics set by EVSTL (like tencap or tenniscotes) and one by on-court evaluation, and that the Standing Rules method was never meant to replace the statistical method. Some members took exception to the EVSTL statistical criteria not counting matches played at a higher level. No consensus was reached, but one member suggested that this needs to be hashed out by the EB or a smaller group.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30.

A Wine Social followed the business meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Sheridan-Christensen, Secretary

Next meeting: March 5, 2024. 3 pm, Auditorium