

Meeting called to order at 4:30PM by Bob James, Acting President. Minutes of the prior Club Meeting were approved by acclamation (Motion: Tom Porter Second: Tom Rike). A total of 93 members were in attendance.

Sid Saltzman, Treasurer provided the Financial Report that included a September balance of \$6,245.39 and a current balance of \$5,422.89. Balance declined due to payments made to support tournaments and sport-specific event subsidies.

Sports Committee Reports:

- Tennis (Patty Coffey) – backboards are installed (on courts 4 and 8) and the ball supply for tennis ball machine has been refreshed
- Paddle Tennis (Allan Singer) – drop-in is held every Monday from 9 – 11 and consistently attracts 12 – 14 players. New players are invited – lessons and equipment are provided.
- Badminton (Bob James) – Looking into new dates/times to have equipment set up for additional playing opportunities beyond the regular summer program
- Pickleball (David Johnson) – thanked Bin and John Crow and all of the volunteers for a successful Mixed Doubles tournament; announced updates to the Drop-In Schedule and the new four-tier Pickleball education plan for 2022 including a “test drive” the new Pre-Beginner Pickleball class in December.

Bob James provided a tournament report – announcing upcoming opportunities at Melba Bishop and congratulating the winners of our recent Mixed Doubles Pickleball tournament (Advanced Division: Larry See and Felicity Swerdlow; Intermediate Division: Darlene and Dan Fahey). He also announced that David Levine would be competing at Fountain Valley and that there were upcoming opportunities to watch the pros play at Indian Wells.

John Lesser, as an independent club member not affiliated with the Board, ran the election process to select the President and Board Members for 2022.

- The Nominating Committee consisted of Karen Burke, Joanne Goglia, and Ann Rike.
- Bob James was presented as the recommended nominee from the Nominating Committee; additional nominations were solicited from the floor and none were offered. Joan Gross offered a motion to elect Bob James by acclamation; this was seconded by Charline Kenney. A voice vote of the members present (with no nays and no abstentions) was unanimous – Bob James is President for 2022.
- A slate of six members (Carol Ann Ferrol, David Johnson, Lorraine Novellino, Ann Rike, Sid Saltzman, and Dannica Wood) was provided by the Nominating Committee for the Director positions; additional nominations were solicited from the floor and none were offered. Charline Kenney offered a motion to approve the slate by acclamation; this was seconded by Mike Ball. A voice vote of the members present (with no nays and no abstentions) was unanimous – the slate of six members will be Directors for 2022.

Bob James introduced the Committee Chairs for 2022:

- Pickleball: Harvey Bernstein and Sue Bixler
- Tournaments and Court Events: John Gildner and Felicity Swerdlow
- Education: Ron Boren, Guy James, Kevin Sorensen, and Patty Storm

The refreshed Racquet Club logo was revealed along with plans to use this on all communications and for all activities during 2022.

Party dates for 2022 were announced: March 5 in Abravanel Hall and August 10 on the Lanai (under the tent).

Club Dues for 2022 were confirmed as \$12 (anyone who paid on or after October 1, 2021 is considered fully paid for 2022). Do Dues Day is scheduled for January 8, 2022. All current members will be sent an email after Thanksgiving to confirm/change their registration information and will be invited to drop their check at the front desk to reduce traffic at the club table on Do Dues Day. In response to an audience question, Sid Saltzman reported that the club has approximately 450 members.

Outgoing board members (from both 2020 and 2021) were acknowledged and provided with a recognition gift from the club: Karen Burke, Herb Livsey, Rob Schoonover, and Cliff Singh.

A new club member benefit (quarterly discount shopping at the Columbia Employee Store) was announced – details to be provided in a follow-up email.

Ann Rike reminded all attendees about lost & found procedures for items left at the court and about the process for obtaining paddle labels (send a request to ohrchelp@gmail.com).

Meeting Adjourned at 5:08PM

David Johnson, Secretary