



## **St. James Pickleball Association**

Encouraging play, good sportsmanship, friendly competition, and fun on and off the courts

### **Summary of Meeting Minutes with Board and Chairs**

**Date: April 9, 2024**

#### **In Attendance:**

George Johnson	President
Christine Cournoyer	Vice President
Paula Franken	Secretary
Chris Romig	Treasurer
Diana Kelly	Communications Director
Jeff Franken	Tournaments and Events Director
Kathy Goliszek	Sunshine Committee Chair

Guests: Kent Silhanek, Brandee Donnelly and Kim Mihan

Absent: Liz Wilson – Social Director, Cynthia Mendoza – Instruction Committee Chair

#### **Topics Covered**

##### Facilities Updates

The list of facility recommendations submitted by the SJPA Board is still being considered by Troon. They will be getting back to George.

A dink practice board has been approved by Troon to be mounted on the Rymer Courts men's room exterior wall. The plan is to have this project completed within 30 days.

The old clipboards at Rymer have been replaced with new clipboards permanently installed at each court next to the court numbers.

The lines and text on the whiteboard will be revamped to look more professional and the whiteboard has been more securely mounted to the fence.

Smaller windsocks have been ordered two will be installed at Rymer (one between courts 2 and 3 and one between courts 6 and 7 so as to be visible to all) and one will be installed at Seaside at the existing location.

The new awning at Seaside will be installed in the next couple of weeks.

#### Court Reserve

Some members have expressed frustration over being unable to reserve courts. Various solutions were discussed including limiting reservations to one court per person per day and limiting the number of courts each person can reserve per week. Troon is taking a closer look at Court Reserve to determine what's feasible.

#### Zeffy payment system for non-profits

Although the Zeffy payment system won't officially go live until mid-April, three new members have already used it to pay their membership fees.

With Zeffy, members will be emailed a link to a payment page where credit cards and electronic bank withdrawals will be accepted. We will also be accepting checks for now.

#### Upcoming Social Events

The Bonfire will be held on 4/14 and the Spring Fling will be held on 5/4.

#### Upcoming Tournaments and Events

The Mixed-Up Doubles event on 4/24 has been split into two timeslots. 4:00-5:30 is full, with a waiting list. There is still room in the 5:30 to 7:00 timeslot.

The All Aboard Tournament will be held on 5/17 and 5/18 with a social mixer for players and guests on 5/15 at Woodlands. Fees are \$20 per player and \$15 per guest. All levels are welcome.

Plans for the Dinko de Mayo event to be held on 5/5 are in the works.

#### Beginner Round Robin Schedule

Beginner Round Robin will take a break from May 22<sup>nd</sup> to September 11<sup>th</sup>.

#### The Sunshine Committee donations

The Sunshine Committee has donated pickleball nets and balls to a local elementary school and is looking for more ways to support the community – possibly to commemorate World Pickleball Day.

#### The Sneaker Drive

The Sunshine Committee will not be managing the sneaker drive this year, but two SJPA members have agreed to take it on.

Submitted By: Paula Franken; April 17, 2024