

SUNRISE PICKLEBALL CLUB

Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday, January 15, 2026

5:00 – 7:45PM

MINUTES

Special Board Meeting / Events Planning / Recognition of Volunteers

Location: Private Residence

Marty Brown called the meeting to order at 5:00PM.

Present: Tom Bylsma, Vice President; Marty Brown, Treasurer; Loida Bartolome, Secretary; Rosemarie Dias, Communications Director; Rodney Coleman, Facilities Director; Jerry Mountjoy, Membership Director; David Dellinger, Special Projects Director

Absent: Jason Pollock, President

Guests/Volunteers Present: *Cassie Cornish, Carlo Del Giudice, Mark Koenig, Brian Newman, Vickie Onesti, Myung Reitenbach, and Michael Rifkin*

OPEN FORUM:

The guests were invited in appreciation for their past volunteer work and to solicit input from them. Their comments follow:

Michael – feels that three nights per week is sufficient to do the job effectively and efficiently as a court ambassador. He pointed out that since people are more aware of his role, “the less *people* problems I have to deal with.” He also pointed out that the bright red member band is much more visible than the peach color from last year, and that the court lighting seems to be working well.

Myung – enjoys her work as a court ambassador and will continue to serve in this capacity as needed. She has had several challenging times with non-members but has successfully turned some of those into memberships.

Cassie – would like to start a 3.5 – 4.0 “*Women’s Ladder*” preferably in February but needs more information on how to go about it. Loida referred Cassie to contact Jackie Bryla, who runs the women’s ladder at SpareTime/Johnson Ranch, for detailed information. *The Board approved this action in concept.*

Mark – suggested we use the Scoreholio app to manage our tournaments. It’s widely used and accepted by players. The cost is \$200/year for premium level membership. Players will need to download the free Scoreholio app on their phones to register for events. He said he is willing to administer the program for our club members. *The Board approved the cost of \$200/year.*

Carlo – the Monday and Wednesday 8:30-10:30AM “*Challenge Open Plays*” events have been very well attended and continue to be a positive mix of the 3.5 – 4.25 players.

Coach Brian – all things are going well, except for the refund requests that come through the REC website. He and Coach Amber Lao will continue to offer sessions/clinics for the new players, as well as their regular coaching sessions. We will add a note regarding their Friday evening sessions to the new member emails.

Vickie – discussed the importance of members taking CPR training, and she mentioned her new online class she has developed to prepare members in the use of the AED machine that we recently purchased.

Absent Guests Recognized For Their Organized Events

Dick – *Dicky’s Dink Mixer*, Monday & Wednesday, 8:45 – 10:15AM

John – *Fun Friday Advanced 4.0+ Mix Up Open Play*, Friday, 8:30AM – 12:00PM

In addition, Loida mentioned an ongoing, beginner’s group that meets in the afternoons/evenings led by **Bobbi Comstock and Aileen Sulzinger**. This group seems to be successfully growing in membership and well organized. These sessions are posted in Playtime Scheduler.

OLD BUSINESS:

Comped Membership – On December 17, 2025, following a seven-day discussion period by email, the Board voted to approve the following:

Complimentary Award for Service

Upon Board approval for exemplary service:

1. Members who have performed extraordinary service to the club over a period of six months or otherwise have performed activities the Board deems worthy of being granted a complimentary one-year membership
2. Immediate past Board members who have:
 - a. Served two or more years be granted a complimentary one-year membership the year following their last year of service
 - b. Served four or more years be granted a lifetime membership

NEW BUSINESS:

Vice President's Report – Sent a message to Jake Polito of Sunrise Recreation & Park District (SRPD) regarding our request for the AED location and installation – waiting for a response from him. SRPD must approve the location before we can install it.

Treasurer's Report – We have not yet received the December annual report.

Communications Director – Will team up with the Special Projects Director to hold a “swap meet” for members to bring “pickleball only” items to be bought, sold, traded, or given away. The event will be held in late January, and members will be encouraged to bring snacks; coffee will be provided. Sent an email to members about the distribution of the 2026 bands. The “Bros and Gals Valentine” event information has been posted on the website and emailed to members.

IT Director – Founding member and continuous IT Director Reine Steel stepped down at the end of the year. She has done an amazing job over the past 10 years in helping us get organized and successful. She will continue to assist us in maintaining the website, so she won't be missed entirely. Thanks, Reine, for the hundreds and hundreds of hours you have given to SPC.

Membership Director's Report – We were at 407 members on the day of the meeting. A renewal reminder was scheduled for later in the week. We received two new lifetime memberships in late December and advised them that there are no

additional benefits to being lifetime members, other than having their names on the “Lifetime Members” list, posted under About Us on our home page.

Special Projects Director’s Report – The new AED machine and security box have arrived, so the installation process can begin, to coordinate with Sunrise Recreation & Park District and Citrus Heights Police Department. A permanent location was discussed, but no decision was made on the ultimate location. More input is currently needed.

Several potential infrastructure projects were brought up for the Board’s consideration:

1. Consider running a concrete pathway from court 6 down to court 12. After discussion, it was decided that the cost was prohibitive at this time.
2. Consider adding a sitting bench, or a picnic table, to court 3. After discussion, it was decided to get some quotes on the possible cost, and it would be brought up for discussion at a future Board meeting.
3. A three-person team will be appointed to clean up the Bistro, removing trash, unused items, clearing walkways, and giving a deep cleaning to the Bistro, which is over-due. This project is scheduled to be completed by the end of February.
4. Consider installing a drill wall. Several locations were suggested; however, this subject will be brought up for further discussion at a future Board meeting.

Next meeting: Thursday, February 19, 2026, 4:30PM, Rusch Park Room 1

The meeting adjourned at 7:45PM.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Loida Bartolome, Secretary