

Pickleball University
Board Meeting

September 1, 2026 @ 5:00pm

Location: Elks Club Vero Beach

1. Call to Order: 5:02pm
Mari Colacino, President, Dave Caswell, Vice-President, Henry Habgood, Treasurer, Margaretta Andrews, Secretary (by phone), Bill Creadon, Chuck O'Hanlon (by phone), Dale Samson, Ralph Carley and Doug Vitunac were in attendance.
2. A quorum was established.
3. The minutes of the August board meeting had been previously approved via email.
4. Monthly Financials:
 - Wells Fargo Checking \$33,449
 - Fidelity Account \$353,984Henry confirmed that the Wells Fargo Business Market Savings account, which had a very low interest rate, has been closed and the balance transferred into the Fidelity Account.
5. Old Business:
 - Operations – Bill reported that the Court Attendants were doing a great job of keeping the club running smoothly.
 - Margaretta reported that the annual PBU Christmas party is scheduled for December 4th at the Elks Club. Mary Chappelle will be in charge of coordinating catering again this year.
6. New Business:
 - Mari reported that the 2027 membership renewals will begin with current Associate members on October 15th, giving them the option to move to full membership for the 2027 season. Regular membership renewals will begin on November 1st through Court Reserve. Any member renewing after December 31st will be subject to a \$25 late fee.
 - Chuck Stone Painting - Painting and repairing has begun for poles 1-7 and work will last approximately 4 days. Poles 8, 9 and 10 will be removed and replaced at a later date. On a motion made by Dave and seconded by Bill, it was unanimously voted to accept the proposal from Complete Electric to replace poles 8 and 9 for \$20,900. 30% will be due as the contract is signed.
 - The Paradise Pergola project will be pushed back until the pole replacement is complete, estimated at the end of November. The new poles need to be installed before the pergola work can begin.
 - Court resurfacing and painting is estimated to begin by September 10th. There was a lengthy discussion regarding the recent unsatisfactory court cleaning by Stock Pressure Washing. Doug agreed to send a letter to the vendor

requesting insurance information so we might make a claim to cover additional costs PBU incurred.

- Mari reported that Connie Lee of CL Design Studio has worked incredibly hard to create a new portal for our website to allow our Court Attendants to accept payment for drop-in and guest fees, and to manage injury reports, release forms and waivers using the new iPads. The portal will also allow access to court usage and scheduling. Mari showed the board what the software program looks like on the iPads. We hope to go live in late October.
- There are currently 9 teams registered for the Island Pickleball League. Play will begin October 16th, and Chuck will work on scheduling practice time for our teams.
- Pickle with Heart begins again Saturdays in October. The first Saturday 3 courts will be reserved from 12-2, then subsequent Saturdays from 11-1. Volunteers have already signed up to help and we hope to pay one of our coaches to work with them.
- Mari reported that over 35 members have volunteered to help with the Special Olympics scheduled for October 10th. She will encourage the volunteers to wear PBU logo clothing during their shifts.
- We are working on creating a historical maintenance record for the club. Chuck and Dick Habersham have a great deal of information and old files that will begin the project and inform future work, then Bill will work with Connie to create a schedule for maintenance going forward.
- Weather conditions and the safety of our Court Attendants was discussed. It was decided that if shifts are canceled or cut short due to inclement weather the attendants will be paid in full for their scheduled shift. They will also be instructed to leave the courts if lightning approaches and go to their vehicles until the threat passes. If the attendants have no vehicle, they may engage a ride share to get home safely and PBU will reimburse them. Attendants must text or call Dale or Mari when these situations arise.
- The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be held on October 6th at 5pm.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10pm.