

## Steering Committee Meeting – November 23, 2023

Present: Cathy, Don, Linda, Jouni, Lori, Neal, Claude, Ray and Carolyn

Absent: Joyce, Ken and Lorna

Visitor: Tom

### Work Crew for Court Surfaces:

Maintenance committee will take the lead and decide on materials needed, approx. time frame to complete the project and the date to begin. Linda will put out an email to membership to solicit volunteers.

### Court Construction:

Lori gave a report and posted it to the Steering Committee's emails. She, Cathy and Dan Patman (our translator) met with Mayor Cesar and Recreation Director from Cihuatlan Oscar Ramirez on Nov 7<sup>th</sup> resulting in positive feedback.

Lori, Cathy, Dan and Claude then met on Nov 15<sup>th</sup> on site to further discuss expansion project. According to Oscar the existing courts cannot be changed nor added to. The site, however, between the tennis courts and the bathrooms is available which has been looked at previously and considered by the Steering Committee. The Committee has prior plans drawn up and Ray volunteered to stake out the courts to get a better visual.

The Committee is now looking for estimates for concrete that can be submitted to Cihuatlan . Lori and Claude both know contractors that they will contact.

Lighting has also become part of the discussion and Cihuatlan's Rec. Rep. Oscar advises that there are plans in place. Steering Committee suggested purchasing the lighting. Oscar has volunteered crew and bucket truck to install them.

### Host Program:

Neal moves to go to daily "drop-in" jar of 50 pesos and eliminate the need to record. Passed.

Lorna has volunteered to take on the Host Co-ordinate position for this season.

### New Paddle System:

The current system isn't working.

A pilot system will be implemented on Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> and run for a week.

A 2<sup>nd</sup> option will be to try Barra's system.

### Dinking Court:

The concrete pad near the washrooms is available to any that want to use it for this purpose.

Gift for Dan Patman:

Neal moved to buy a 750 pesos gift certificate at a popular restaurant. Passed. Cathy will purchase it.

Financial Update:

As at Nov. 23, 2023 the Bank balance is 206,201 pesos. There are currently 44 active players.

Don moved to accept financials. Passed.

Flip Flop Nomad Tours will be mentioned in our newsletter and possibly be used for some day trips throughout the season to get "Pickleballers" together socially.

Date of Season Start-Up Social:

Suggestion it be the first week of December mid-week. Time, date and location will be advised. Linda will extend invite to Membership email list.

Protocols for New Board Members:

More discussion and thoughts need to be considered.