



**SCPD - PICKLEBALL CLUB
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 6, 2026**

- I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm by Mr. Allison.
- II. **Meeting Location:** Lakeview Club House, Silverwood Room.
- III. **Attendance:** Rich Allison, Sandy Berk, Rick Dowdle, Taffy Golden, Jean Mylen, Devon Heckert
Excused: Bob Briedis
- IV. **The Minutes of March 2, 2026,** were reviewed by all. There was a motion by Ms. Mylen to approve the minutes as written and a second by Ms. Berk. There was a unanimous vote by the Board to approve the minutes as written.
- V. **The Treasurer's Report** was presented by Mr. Allison in Mr. Briedis absence. Mr. Allison reported a cash balance of \$16,911 as of March 27, 2026. It was reported that membership dues collected in 2026 was \$8,310. Expenses were reported at \$23,405 and other club expenses was reported at \$1,067. There was a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as written by Ms. Mylen, and a second by Ms. Berk, and a unanimous vote was carried to approve the Treasurer's report written.
- VI. **Membership** was reported by Mr. Allison. It was reported that there were 554 paid members as of March 27th 2026, There was one (1) new member during the past reporting period.
- VII. **YouTube video** – Mr. Allison reported that the SCPD Pickleball Club YouTube video was completed by Ms. Chrissy Church (active SCPD Resident, Pickleball member and realtor) Mr. Allison. The video is posted to the SCPD website and is available through the internet and YouTube. Mr. Allison reported that there has been positive feedback to the video by both members and residents. Attached is the link to YouTube:

[Playing Pickleball at Sun City Palm Desert, CA | Interview w/ Pickleball Club President Rich Allison](#)
- VIII. **Court Painting** is scheduled for this summer. During the summer of 2026, all court fences and light poles were scheduled to be painted. Ms. Berk asked if there was a known date for the painting, as there may be some prep work that the club will want to do prior to the painting (ie signage removal). It was suggested and approved that the club that a new pickleball bulletin board / information center be purchased. All present board members voted unanimously to approve this purchase at this meeting. This information center is where all pertaining material such as schedules and times are posted for all residents and players to review. Mr. Allison has agreed to look for a suitable replacement bulletin board.
- IX. **Electricity** is currently not available on any of the courts or in building D of the Tennis/Pickleball area. The HOA maintenance is waiting for the generator to support the repair of electrical functions of the highly used area.



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- X. Ladders** - There was a lot of discussion around the pickleball ladders and trying to accommodate all levels of play, days and times. After much discussion, it was suggested and there was agreement among the board that the pickleball club would promote three (3) levels of ladders. Advanced, Intermediate and Lower Level. The three (3) levels would be mixed play with self-assigned levels.

Ms. Mylen indicated that there are questions about the mixed couple's and men's ladders. She indicated that less members are actively participating. She could only speculate as to why there was less participation. It was agreed that both ladders and its discussion thereof needed to be tabled at this time and a realignment of the ladders might need to take place during the summer with a lot more discussion and a prepared roll out in September 2026.

It was agreed that the general concept of ladders and clinics needed to be re-designed for its continued success within the club.

- XI. Future meeting location** - Mr. Dowdle agreed that his home would be available for the next pickleball board meetings until such time the club house rooms are available after remodel.
- XII. League Next Season** – It was determined that the Coachella Valley Pickleball league that evolved this past season may occur again but without the support of the SCPD pickleball club. It was determined that the league participation may not be open to all pickleball members due to skill level (advanced vs beginner) thus not offered to all members.

New Business

- XIII. Pickleball Bulletin Board** – there was a unanimous vote to approve the purchase of the new bulletin board.
- XIV. Summer Ladders** – will commence on May 30, 2026. Flyer are being prepared.
- XV. Dink Tournament** - it was suggested that some members are interested in a Dink Tournament.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for May 4th, 2026, from 3pm-5pm. NOTE: Location would be the home of Rick Dowdle