LAGUNA WOODS SHUFFLEBOARD ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
MAY 3, 2024

In attendance:  Janet East, Peggy McCaughey, John Rittenhour, John Moran, Ruth Talstra, Kathy Ritsema and Richard Fumanti

The meeting was called to order by President Janet East at 9:46.

The April meeting minutes were approved as read.

The Treasurer’s report as of April 30, 2024: cash and check balance of $2121.08.

Old Business:

* Twelve of our members made the trip to Seal Beach Leisure World on Monday. They have a lovely facility and made us feel very welcome. A few things were different such as taking turns with placing the disks on the opposite side after playing four frames.
* Ruth reported that the Expo was very successful. We have 39 people who signed an application and are now considered current members of the club. Leading up to the reopening of Clubhouse 1, we will be discussing multiple ways to get these new people interested, proficient at the game and becoming long-term members. Peggy and John will add these members to their mailing lists. Our first email will be to thank them for signing up and that we are looking forward to meeting them when we reopen. We are planning a celebration party for the entire club. We’ll also be asking them to tell us which day of the week they prefer to play, as we may need to add or change to another day to accommodate everyone.
* John Rittenhour reminded everyone of our spring dinner coming up on Thursday May 9 at Clubhouse 2. The social segment will start at 5:30; dinner will be at 6 with water and coffee provided or BYOB. Dinner will be catered by El Pollo Loco. Before dinner though, we will have a short meeting/announcements. After dinner we will be playing LRC.

New Business

* The GRF ad hoc committee meeting for Building E space was attended by several members on Wednesday. When their proposal reaches the respective mutuals, we want to draft a letter that all our members can send to their mutuals stating why we need to keep our building.
* John Rittenhour passed around an “introduction” he wants to replace on our Village website. Peggy will tell Mike to please update.
* John Rittenhour found a document on the Laguna Woods Village website titled Operating Rules for Shuffleboard. There were several items that need to be changed so John will look into it further to have this document updated. One issue was shoes—it stated players cannot wear leather-soled shoes. They must wear nonmarking rubber-soled shoes. What this statement should say is that players can wear any type of shoes as long as they have closed toes.
* Our June lunch will be on the 19th at BJ’s Restaurant and Brewhouse at noon.
* John Rittenhour proposed that everyone bring a friend or two to shuffleboard so we can continue increasing the membership. Janet suggested our first event back in our new building just be a fun event to get to know the new members. She also proposed when we are ready to teach them the game, not to overwhelm with all the rules on the same day/night. We will have “clinics” to teach everyone the game.
* Peggy presented the cost of a “feather flag” similar to the one that Seal Beach had. It can be as cheap at $18. More discussion on this as time approaches our reopening.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15. The next board meeting will be June 7 at 2370 Mariposa West at 9:45.

Submitted by Peggy McCaughey