

# December 13, 2017

1. Roll call / Quorum - Virginia
2. Minutes from November meeting
3. Treasurer's report - Donna T
4. Old Business
  - a. Members donating paddles for resale for fundraising?
  - b. Member comments
5. New Business
  - a. Stacking 4 paddles during focus play? - Louise
  - b. Proposed changes to Ratings evaluation process - Suzanne
  - c. Proposed court schedule change process - Jeff
  - d. Compensation for exhibition pros - Jeff/Mark
  - e. Instruction update: Coaching Core, Playing Smart Class and Pickleball Exercise Class, Pickleball orientation and assisted play in January - Carol
6. Urgent Business
7. Member comments
8. Closing comments
9. Adjourn

Proposed Policy Manual edits:

## Court rules

1. Paddle queueing is used as a method to determine which group of players are to use the next available court and is directed by the Court Management Committee and Court Coordinators.
  - a) ~~During Focus Play: Paddles may be grouped by two players to allow practice together with a partner with minimal disruption to the flow of players to the courts.~~
  - b) ~~During Drop-In Play: Paddles may be grouped up to four players.~~
  - c) **Paddles may be grouped up to four players.**
  - d) During heavy court usage: The Gold/Silver queueing process may be implemented when there are 20 or more paddles in a queue. Court Coordinators may implement a "win by one" or play to nine points format to speed play.

## Focus Play

- a) Court schedules are intended to provide equal time for each focus group daily, if possible. GVRPC requests that club members honor these designated times and particularly during the high season of December-April.
- b) If Challenge Courts are implemented as a Board decision in the future, they** may be designated during Focus Play only, using East Center Court 6 if there are 12 or fewer players wishing to participate on the Challenge Courts, and using East Center Courts 6 and 7 if there are more than 12 players wishing to participate. GVRPC recommends that those using the Challenge Courts remain sensitive to the overall number of players at the courts and determine the suitability of Challenge Courts during crowded sessions.

## Club Skill Ratings are managed by the Ratings Committee.

- a) A member's initial rating is to be set at 2.0/2.5 once the member has completed Assisted Play classes. Instructors and Round Robin Coordinators may recommend consideration for assigning a higher level to the Ratings Committee when appropriate. The Ratings Committee will then review and **suggest** schedule an evaluation, if necessary.
- ~~b) Members wishing to be evaluated for advancing to a higher skill rating may request an evaluation session by signing up for published evaluation sessions conducted by the Ratings Committee. The committee will schedule regular evaluation sessions as committee member schedules allow. Each member requesting an evaluation will receive information on which skills are to be evaluated, the process for selecting others to play with during the evaluation, the committee determination, and recommendations for improvement.~~ **scheduling a 3-game match with three members at the level for which they are testing. The candidate will play a single game with each of the three members and the team that the candidate is on must score a minimum of 21 points during the 3-game match. The Ratings Committee will oversee the match. A candidate can test no more than once per calendar month.**
- c) Members wishing to move down a skill level can submit a private

request to the Ratings Committee at anytime.

- d) **Members who have been evaluated and have changed their skill level at another club may request that their current GVRPC rating be changed to the same level.**
- e) ~~The Ratings Committee and designees shall periodically review the 3.5 roster and by majority vote recommend any members demonstrating the skills to move to the next level. Those not recommended may petition the Ratings Committee to schedule an evaluation session.~~

#### Court use

- a) Court schedules are evaluated and modified throughout the year as court usage statistics indicate the need for a schedule modification. The intent is to optimize play for all skill levels, provide open times for mixed skill levels, and allot court time for reserved courts and instructional classes and clinics. **Changes to court schedules will be made available to the membership for review and input for at least one week prior to finalizing changes.**