



**Sunrise Table Tennis Club, Inc**  
A 501(c)(3) Public Charity Organization

**MEETING  
MINUTES**

October 31, 2015  
Long Center  
Bright House Room

**BOD Members Attending:**

Martin Shapiro, *President*  
Bill Robbins, *Vice President*  
Carolyn Adams, *Secretary*  
Keith Hanley, *Treasurer / Programs Director*

**Advisory Board Attending:**

Ty Hoff  
Rudy Santo  
Gary Pentecost

Meeting called to order at 12:34 a.m.

Martin reviewed the legal status of STTCi.

Organizational structure expansion was discussed. A vote for the new organizational structure, as attached, was unanimous.

ABBS was asked to help find people to fill the positions.

Rudy suggested table tennis exhibitions at schools as a way of garnering interest from potential juniors. This falls under Outreach which is Bill's responsibility.

Policies and plans for fundraising were discussed. Rudy suggested creating a package for potential corporate sponsors. Rudy and Gary P. volunteered to work on the writing; Carolyn volunteered to work on the graphics.

Gary P. suggested upping the prize money for tournaments and making one tournament a "must go to" throughout the State. Invite the media.

Rudy knows a potential sponsor who will give matching funds for increasing the awards at a tournament. The donor funds will go to awards, the matching funds will go to the club. Follow up by Rudy and Martin.

A one night fundraising dinner was discussed. A committee would have to volunteer to make it work.

It was proposed that we go forward with the Bright Sunrise Campaign. Vote unanimous.

How to make the yearly budget transparent at the Annual Meeting was reviewed.

Compensation to Coach Gary for junior training was discussed. A budget for next year will be proposed and legal advice sought about said compensation. Payment for travel, hotels etc. do not conform to the IRS rules that we must follow.

The Mission of the Sunrise Table Tennis Club is to facilitate education in the sport of table tennis by providing the members of the Club and the community of Pinellas County the resources, scheduled play and programs for training, regular practice and competition in the sport of table tennis.



ABBS members excused.

### **Old Business**

Lifetime memberships were discussed. It was voted to offer Al and Margo lifetime basic memberships in STTCi. 3 in favor, 1 abstain.

Insurance policies and bonds for Board members discussed. Martin has submitted applications for Directors & Officers insurance to three companies, and is awaiting quotes. Bill researched the cost of a bond for the Officers, which will be about \$200/year. It was determined that we needed to see a full contract to know what it covered before a decision could be made. Bill will get one.

It was voted unanimously that Martin will be the only board member signing contracts.

Compensation for Carolyn and Gary Fraiman was discussed. It was voted unanimously to continue as usual, but Martin will discuss with an attorney the IRS rules for compensation and for paying for the junior elite program (coaching, travel, tournament entries, etc.).

Gary is a certified regional coach and Yanni is in the process of becoming certified by USATT. It was voted unanimously that any official coach of our club must be certified by USATT.

We voted unanimously that anyone working with juniors must have a criminal background check. Agencies that do that and the cost involved were discussed. Martin will investigate further.

Holiday Fiesta discussed. We will have door prizes (donated by Bill) and some decorations.

It was unanimously voted that there will be no compensation for past transporting Sari to table tennis as requested by Al Palumbo. If a proposal is made for next year, we would consider including it in our budget, if Sari continues to be a benefactor of the club.

Keith is waiting for an update on the status of our moving tables to North Greenwood Rec Center. We voted unanimously to move regular weekly club play there and to use Long Center for tournaments and new coaching programs. Keith is tasked with drawing up the details.

We voted unanimously to post minutes online.

Meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.