

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

## MEETING MINUTES

October 31, 2015 Long Center Bright House

## **BOD Members Attending:**

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

**Town Hall Meeting** called to order at 11:10 a.m. 26 people attending.

Martin explained how Sunrise Table Tennis Club, Inc. came to exist as an independent 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization with the mission 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. He introduced the members of the Board of Directors (Keith, Carolyn, Bill R. and himself), who are also the Officers of the club.

He introduced the new Advisory Board to the BOD; Ty Hoff, Gary Fraiman, Gary Pentecost, Kit Jeerapeat and Rudy Santo. Kit was not present.

Martin spoke of volunteerism and asked for volunteers to be new Officers or members of the club Committees. He stressed that the club could not expand and have the programs everyone wants unless there was greater participation from the membership.

Martin also spoke of fund-raising, and introduced the Bright Sunrise Campaign for 2016. He explained that now that we are independent of the Sunrise Sports Foundation, we need to replace the donations that they raised each year for our club programs through our own member donations and community sponsorships.

Questions and Answers followed.

The procedure for replacing a Director/Officer was explained, including how the Members can hold a vote to do so.

Aspects of what can and cannot be done by STTCi according to the bylaws and the IRS was explained.

Several suggestions were made by the attendees, including: More transparency including more frequent financial reports posted and BOD meeting minutes posted. Have an online form for suggestions/complaints. Members should have input on how club revenues are spent outside of normal budget items.

The Holiday Fiesta Award dinner on December 13 was announced and flyers provided.

Meeting ended at 12:30.