

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

### MEETING MINUTES

May 8, 2021 Long Center

#### **Members Attending:**

John Reynolds, *President* Ed Curran, Vice *President* Carolyn Adams, *Secretary* Martin Shapiro, *Treasurer* 

Sam Surdi, *Publicity*Bill Robbins, *Advisory Board*Rudy Santo, *Advisory Board*Conrad Fisher

Meeting called to order at 10:06 a.m.

John began the meeting with a thank you to all the BOD members and Advisors. He called out specific 'above and beyond' achievements for everyone and for Members who do more than their fair share.

Martin gave a brief account of the recent history of the Club; the 2015 averted lawsuit and the inception of STTCi; The creation of bylaws and the 5013c Corporation. We discussed disseminating this information to the Members since many don't understand how the Club and the BOD operates. Martin volunteered to write about the Club, its volunteers and the responsibilities of Members.

Conrad talked about the League and how to continue since Rich Perez will not be running it any longer. Conrad volunteered to run it. Discussion continued concerning improved communication between the BOD and the League. Carolyn nominated Conrad to the Advisory Board and he accepted. It was approved unanimously. Sam volunteered to update Face book and the weekly Blast regarding the League.

John discussed why USATT is not having any sanctioned tournaments this year. John will talk to Long Center to determine if we can have a fun tournament in October, and what Covid restrictions might be required. We discussed who and how it would be run.

Summer camp discussed. It is part of our agreement with the City of Clearwater that we conduct ping pong summer camp. Volunteers are: Ed—Countryside, John—Long, Rudy—Morningside. Camp lasts 8 weeks and each weekly session is about 2 hours including set up/ clean up.

Martin discussed our relationship with the Centers and how imperative it is for us to do what is needed to ensure they are happy with us. During Covid we were threatened with cancellation a few times for non-compliance with their rules.

Martin discussed the website and getting new and less expensive hosting. He is investigating that and he and Sam are making needed changes to the website that should make it easier to navigate and simpler. The new hosting may happen later this year or next. The BOD voted to make this change.

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.



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We voted to buy a new robot as John knows of one available and the old one needs constant attention and purchasing of parts. The old one will be available for a fair donation.

John mentioned that play at Long during summer camp will be in the evenings starting June 7.

Meeting adjourned at 11:43 p.m.