

BYLAWS OF THE LVW PICKLERS AND SOCIAL CLUB

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of this organization will be known as the LVW Picklers and Social Club, henceforth referred to as the Club.

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

The purpose of the club is to promote the game of pickleball, encourage good health through physical activity, develop a welcoming environment and to positively impact the social lives of the residents of Leisure Village West. To advance these goals the club will implement opportunities for all members to learn and improve their play, provide instructional lessons, and implement friendly and recreational levels of competition among members.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP

(A) Membership is open to all residents of Leisure Village West upon payment of annual dues as specified by the club.

(B) Each member will have one vote in matters relating to club business.

(C) Dues payable in October for the calendar year consisting of January 1 through and including December 31. New members may join anytime during the year. The dues of new members joining between October 1 and December 31 will be considered paid-up for the balance of the current year and the following year.

(D) Members not in good standing as a result of failing to pay dues will not be able to participate in the Club sponsored competition and social events. In addition, they will not be eligible to vote or run for any club officer position.

ARTICLE IV MEETINGS

- (A) The order of business at the general meeting shall be:
- a. Meeting called to order
 - b. Salute to the flag
 - c. Roll call of Officers
 - d. Reading and approval of minutes of previous meeting by the secretary
 - e. Treasurer's current financial report

- f. Director of Communications Report
- g. Committee reports
- h. Old business
- i. New business
- j. Adjournment

- (B) The regular meeting of this organization shall be held on the first Tuesday of each month from January 1 to December 31, inclusive at Encore Auditorium at 7:00 PM. Should the meeting fall on a holiday, the scheduled meeting shall be held the following month or at an earlier rescheduled date as convenience allows.

ARTICLE V OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTIONS

- (A) The offices of this organization shall be:

- (a) President
- (b) Vice President
- (c) Secretary
- (d) Treasurer
- (e) Director of Communications

- (B) Officers of this organization shall be elected for a term of one (1) year, effective January 1 to December 31. No elected officer shall be eligible to service for more than two (2) consecutive terms in the same office, unless no other person(s) is (are) nominated for the position(s).

- (C) Nominations Elections and Appointment of Officers

Section 1. Nominations for office will be made at the November meeting from the membership of the club. No member shall be a candidate for office unless present to accept the nomination either in person or in writing

Section 2. Prior to the November meeting the President shall appoint a Nominating Committee who shall hold office until its report is acted upon at the November meeting. The committee shall nominate all candidates for office

Section 3. The above provision shall not exclude the nomination of any candidate of any office from the floor of the November meeting, but they must be present to accept the nomination.

Section 4. Following the November meeting the Communications director shall post on the Club Facebook/Front Steps the names of the candidates for each office within seven (7) days

Section 5. Elections will be held by ballot unless there is only one candidate for office. In that case the vote will be taken by voice affirmation. If a count is necessary it will be taken by the nominating committee

Section 6. Elections will be held at the December meeting.

ARTICLE VI DUTIES OF ELECTED OFFICERS

The duties of the officers are as follows:

President

- A. The president shall oversee all activities of the club and to preside at all scheduled and special meetings of the club.
- B. Call for special meeting of the Board.
- C. May call special meetings of the members, following a seven (7) day notice of such meeting. Multiple subjects can be discussed but must be communicated to the members at the time notice of the meeting is given.
- D. He/she can establish committees as needed to achieve goals of the club; he/she can appoint members to each committee.
- E. He/she shall be the President of the Board and a member of all committees, he/she shall be a non-voting member of each committee.
- F. He/she shall, with the treasurer, sign contracts or other obligations of the Club when authorized by the Board.

Vice President

- (A) The Vice president shall preside over monthly meetings in the event the president is absent. He shall assist the President in the discharge of his duties and in case of a vacancy in the office of the president automatically assume the Duties of the President and is declared such for the remainder of the term.
- (B) If the Vice-President refuses to assume the duties of succession he/she are dropped from the board and a successor is chosen by the board from among the board members
- (C) He/she will be responsible to verify the collection and amount of all receipts and monies collected by the club Treasurer through the payment of dues, fund raisers, event fees, etc. and to verify the corresponding bank deposits.
- (D) Perform other duties and responsibilities as assigned by the President.
- (E) Serve as Club President on a temporary basis the absence of the President.

Treasurer

- A. He/she shall be the custodian of the financial records, bank records, account payable records of the Club.
- B. Keep a record in a book for such a purpose of all receipts of monies due to and or paid by the Club, pay all bills or club debts as authorized by the Board.
- C. Make a report at each monthly meeting of the Club and the Board of all receipts and disbursements for the month and the accumulated receipts and disbursements on a year to date basis. Such a report will also indicate the balance of funds on hand and any outstanding account payable.
- D. Receive and deposit into the club bank account all money due or otherwise collected by the Club.

Secretary

- A. The secretary shall keep a record of the minutes and proceedings of the general and board meetings.

- B. The secretary shall always have on their possession a copy of the bylaws.
- C. The secretary shall be responsible for all correspondence pertaining to the club.
- D. Create an e-mail list assisted by the President.

Communications Director

- A. Serves as co-administrator along with the Club President of the Club's Facebook Page.
- B. Responsible for posting to the club's Facebook Page/Frontsteps information regarding club events and activities.
- C Serves as the point person regarding official announcements for club activities and functions.
- D. Following the November nominations for the following year's officers, will post to the Club website/Frontsteps those individuals running for office and the office they seek.

ARTICLE VII: MEMBERSHIPS AND DUES

Section 1. The club offers two types of membership, Pickleball Membership and Social Membership.

Section 2. Annual dues will be collected from each member at the beginning of the Calendar year. Dues have been set at \$15.00 for Pickleball membership and \$10.00 for Social Membership.

Section3. Social Membership includes participation in all monthly meetings with refreshments, events, and fundraisers, and membership on any club committees.

Section 4. Pickleball membership includes all activities offered with Social Membership, plus participation in scheduled level based Open Play, Level based drills, instructional play, and any special club sponsored play.

ARTICLE VIII DISBURSEMENT OF CLUB FUNDS

Section 1. Any disbursement of Club funds more than \$100.00 must be voted upon by the board prior to the disbursement.

Section 2. In the event the Club has a routine recurring expense, this type of disbursement can be approved by the Board prior to the first disbursement authorizing all future similar payments and included in any future Budget items.

Section 3. In the event of an unforeseen circumstance requiring an emergency payment, such disbursement can be authorized by unanimous agreement by all the officers. Each person must vote via e-mail so as to maintain a record approving this disbursement.

ARTICLE IX MEETING PROCEDURES, VOTING

Section 1. Meetings will be conducted using Roberts Rules of Order

Section 2. Twenty Five (25) members in good standing shall constitute a quorum at a General Membership Meeting.

Section 3. The majority vote of the members present shall constitute any action on motions except in the case of an amendment to these By-Lays, which shall require a 2/3 vote of the members present in good standing. Officers will be considered voting members and the President shall be entitled to cast a ballot in the case of a deciding vote.

ARTICLE X COMMITTEES

Section 1. The President shall appointment a Chairperson to oversee each committee established by the Board. These committees hold office at the pleasure of the President.

Section 2. All committee members shall be volunteers from the membership and shall consist of at least two (2) members.

Section 3. The following is a listing of current committees:

- A. Membership Committee
- B. Social Committee
- C. Hospitality/Refreshment Committee
- D. Long Term Strategic Planning Committee
- E. Finance Committee

ARTICLE XI- AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

Section 1. Any proposed amendment must be legibly written, signed by two (2) Club members in good standing and delivered to the Club Secretary. The Board has seven (7) days to review the proposed amendment to determine if such amendment is free from bias or conflict. If bias or conflict exists, the amendment will be returned for clarification. A copy of the amendment will be posted on the Club's Facebook site and emailed to every member and will be voted upon at the next scheduled membership meeting.

Section 2. Amendments will become effective upon approval by the LVW Board of trustees.

Section 3. By-Laws may not be suspended.

ARTICLE XII DISSOLUTION OF THE CLUB

Should this organization be dissolved at any time, Fifty percent of the balance shall be distributed to the LVW Recreation Department. The remaining fifty percent balance shall be distributed by the executive board of this organization to a charity of their choice. then voted on at the monthly meeting by a majority of the membership.

*Approved
8/10/23*