

Tennis Club Board Meeting Minutes

June 28, 2016

Board Members Present: Michael Diltz, Art Lind, Diane Whitworth, Claire Hintergardt, Mike Falarski, Akiko Giordono, Betty Olsen, Mike Tuft, Phyllis Seeger, Melinda Dobbs

Others Present: Dennis Vaillancourt, George Beck, Cheryl Diltz

Welcome: Phyllis Seeger, President, welcomed all in attendance at 3:30 PM

Minutes: Betty Olsen made motion to approve and Michael Diltz seconded. Passed

Treasurers Report: Diane Whitworth reported the total balance in checking is \$11,996.16 which includes funds for Ball Machine. Budgeted amount still to be spent is \$3,525. Total balance in Scholarship Account is \$8,318.25 which includes all charges from the event. Question was raised as to why Scholarship carries such a large balance and it was explained that the committee wants to be sure there is money from year to year to cover scholarships made.

Betty Olsen requested that some of the budgeted expense monies be used to purchase additional benches. Discussion was held and it was agreed we would look into purchasing twelve 5' benches for all courts. Phyllis will talk with Brad Barncord in the Corporation office to get prices and also to see if VGCC will cover some of the cost.

Tournaments:

Mixer, July 16th: Betty Olsen and George Beck reported for Maureen O'Neil and Robin Machon, chairpersons for event. The theme is Hawaiian and lunch will be provided with Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Coleslaw, Fruit and Macadamia Nut Cookies. This will be a mixed doubles one-day tournament. The format will be changing courts and switching partners after each match.

Spring Classic: Sherry Benz reported on the Spring Classic. She thought having a one-day tournament enabled us to get forty eight players signed up. She also thanked Cheryl Diltz for helping since she had to be away the week prior to the tournament. Over-all it was very successful, well organized and fun. Discussion followed with suggestion that there be alternates 'ready to play' prior to each start to eliminate any delays. Also discussed that the rules need to be clarified a little better. We discussed 'sponsors' and the appropriateness of them. Harris Realty donated bundt cakes, beer and sodas which were well appreciated. Their 'low-key' approach to signage was very well done and will be the format to be followed by future sponsors.

Open House/Jump Start: Art Lind and Claire Hintergardt chaired this event with Art complimenting Claire for making it so successful. There was a total of eighty attendees with seventeen participating in Jump Start and six joining the TC. Discussion followed as to shortening the presentation and/or including more actual demos by players.

Jump Start is off to a good start considering the very hot temperatures. The Rusties are changing their time to 6 pm and the Beginners are considering changing their time to an hour later. Also discussed having it begin in the morning or evening to avoid the mid-afternoon heat. These suggestions will be taken into consideration for next year.

Parade, July 2nd: Dennis Vaillancourt reported and passed out flyers for this all-villages Fourth of July event. The theme of the parade is "TV Themes over the years." Dennis and his committee of Dennis and Cathy Vaillancourt, Michael and Cheryl Diltz and Adrien and Paula Fournier had a great time working and partying in preparation. Three golf carts will be used with TC members carrying signs and getting the crowd enthused to 'pick a curtain'.

Communications: Akiko Giordono reported that the Jump Start Rusty's have changed their starting time to 6:00 and expect the Beginners to follow suit starting at 5:00, rather than 5:00 and 4:00 respectively.

Membership: Diane Whitworth reported for Penny Barcellos that we have nine new members and five joining with the ball machine. George asked that a list of members be sent to him to be published in the TC Communications. He will contact Penny for this.

Court Operations: Michael Diltz had nothing new to report other than he wants TC players to contact him of any problems with the courts. He said the Pickleball players are being very conscientious in handling the nets.

Old Business:

Viewing Area: Mike Falarski is looking into a refrigerator and sink with the contractor he has been working with and is also preparing for the VGCC Board Study Session in August. Phyllis will be sending an email to Bill Devincenzi, president of the Board to get procedures for making this presentation.

Finance for Viewing Area: Sherry Benz hopes to begin fundraising by September 1st as soon as approval for the project is approved by the Board. She then asked Mike Tuft to explain how he plans to proceed for raising money. Starting with the donation of up to \$30,000 from Herb Holt (TC to match funds) and the possibility of funding from both the Villages Club Board and Villages Evergreen Foundation, Mike will start by contacting contractors who work with the Villages and then general request to TC members.

New Business:

Men's Drop In: Akiko Giordono has been monitoring Men's Drop-in and noticed that court 2 on Thursdays 9:00-10:30 is rarely used and would like to have it dropped and revert to open sign-ups. Mike Tuft made a motion to this effect beginning July 1st and was seconded by Diane Whitworth. Motion passed. Mike Tuft will send wording to George Beck to send to TC membership.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:55.

Respectfully submitted,

Melinda Dobbs