

Tennis Club Board Meeting Minutes
2/28/2017

Board Members Present: Mike Tuft, Melinda Dobbs, Akiko Giordono, Dennis Vaillancourt, Gail Leslie, Gail Tuft, George Beck, Diane Whitworth, Penny Barcellos, Phyllis Seeger, Gordon Knapp, Tracy Scott

Others Present: Wendy Ferguson, Mike Falarski

President's Welcome: Michael Tuft greeted and thanked all for attending the meeting.

Minutes: Motion was made by Melinda Dobbs and 2nd by Gordon Knapp to approve minutes of the January 24, 2016 board meeting as written. Motion approved.

Treasurers Report: Diane Whitworth reported the balance in the checking account is \$13,992.82 which includes \$5220.00 for the Ball Machine. Budgeted amount still available for club expenses is \$8772.82. Amount billed for member dues for 2017 was \$5,275.00. The Scholarship Fund's current balance is \$8,518.74.

Tournaments: The Prescott/VMA tournament in March is on its way and has good response from online signup, however more players are still needed especially in the women's doubles and mixed doubles categories. Gail is considering the option of having a post tournament lunch versus the traditional evening dinner, more information to follow.

Social: Gail Leslie looking for suggestions for items served during tournaments and any help is also appreciated.

Communications: George Beck reported that M.A. has volunteered to help Beth Devincenzi with the Tennis Club website.

Membership: Penny Barcellos currently has no updates.

Court Operations: Results of the on-court score cards opinion survey were inconclusive as only 40 votes were cast, 21 for the 0-9 slide score system and 19 for the ball scoring system. A motion was made by Gail Tuft to purchase 3 more of the ball and 1 more of the sliding score systems, the motion was 2nd by George Beck. The two 0-9 slide scoring systems will be installed on courts 5 & 6, the four ball scoring systems will be installed on courts 1 thru 4. It was also reported that the anchors have been installed on courts 5 & 6 for adjusting the nets for Pickleball and are working nicely. The clocks that are not keeping time will be looked at and either repaired or replaced in the near future.

Old Business: Viewing stand upgrade was reported on by Mike Falarski and Phyllis Seeger. The construction of the cabinet structure by Unlimited Outdoor Kitchens is underway. The existing counter and cabinets have been removed and there will be more construction over the next few months. A target of early to mid-May to have the new cabinets and appliances installed. Mikes report has been sent to the TC membership as well as pictures. Phyllis reported that the fund raising is on track and EVF has agreed to match up to \$13,200.00 in donations.

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Scholarship Update: Wendy Ferguson reported that the scholarship committee has agreed to award 2 \$3000.00 scholarships to 1 male and 1 female tennis player from Silver Creek High School this year. She also reminded us that the scholarship dinner will be on April 30th at 5:30pm at a cost of \$19.00 per person.

New Business:

Using Tennis Club Balance & Ball Machine Funds for Viewing Stand: Currently these options have been tabled as we feel we are on track with fund raising.

2017 VGCC Tennis Club Budget: The budget was presented by Mike Tuft with a total expense of \$5,720.00. A motion was made by Phyllis Seeger and 2nd by Gail Tuft, motion was approved

Tennis Etiquette and Pets: A discussion was held concerning court etiquette and pets in the court area. It was agreed that people should not walk behind the players during play on the courts as this is a distraction, especially during USTA matches. As far as pets are concerned it was agreed pets are not allowed on the tennis courts or in the food serving area of the viewing stands. There was much discussion as to what the Tennis Club is willing to enforce when pets are in the area. No decisions or motions on this topic were decided on at this time, as the pet issue, other than the above mentioned areas, is VBOD issue.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 5:05 was made by Tracy Scott and 2nd by Gordon Knapp, motion approved

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Vaillancourt, Secretary