

STC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, October 7, 2011 MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Weiss at 3:00 pm

ATTENDEES: BOD members Weiss, Bidwell, Donovan, and Lamb plus an additional 11 STC members

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Remaining 2011 Membership Meeting Date: November 9
- B. Vital Moves will offer a Tennis Conditioning Class beginning Wednesday, October 12, 2011, at 12:30 PM at the SaddleBrooke Fitness Center. The class will run for four consecutive Wednesdays.
- C. The replacement of fences around the SaddleBrooke courts and painting of poles and ramadas should be completed by October 28.
- D. Members will have an opportunity to ask questions of nominees for the 2012 STC Board of Directors at an informal meeting at the Tennis Center on Tuesday, November 1.
- E. Bob Weiss reported that ~ 50 racquets and 7 cases of tennis balls have been donated by STC members to the Amphi Middle School. Grateful teachers and students have sent thank-you notes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the September 14th meeting of the BOD were approved as distributed.

TREASURER'S REPORT—Peter Bidwell

- A. Account Balances as of October 7, 2011
 - Total Bank and Savings:** \$26,157.87
 - Charity Fund Total:** \$1,430.43

COMMITTEE REPORTS

2011 Fall Classic Mixed Doubles League: 8 of 16 1st round matches ended in 3rd set tie breakers.

Social Committee:

A "Jungle Boogie" social event will be held on Sunday, October 23rd. Sign up by October 17 at the Tennis Center. The Holiday Social will be held on Sunday, December 4th, at 5:30 pm in the HOA 1 Activities Center. The New Year's Eve event will again be held at Mountain View Country Club in collaboration with HOA 2.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

STC Rules

Although previous revisions of STC Rules have been approved by the Board of Directors acting on behalf of the membership, the Board has agreed that is more appropriate to ask the STC membership to approve the most recent version of the document at the November 9th meeting of the membership. The revised rules will be posted on the STC website.

NEW BUSINESS

Additional Score-Reporting Option for Appeals

Dave Lamb presented a proposal (see page 3 of this document) to institute a second score-reporting option for members appealing to move to a higher STC category for organized play. In this proposal, a player would be required to win at least 45% of games played in 15 consecutive sets played at the higher level. A motion to approve the new option was approved 4-0.

Adoption of Organized Play Procedures

By a vote of 4-0 the Board formally adopted four organized play procedures, the first two of which were previously announced in the July, 2011, *Message from Your President*.

- 1) A \$10.00 fee to appeal a rating is no longer required.
- 2) On a monthly basis, a member may obtain a confidential match-enhancement form at the Tennis Center. The member may suggest to the pro the names of up to three players in the player's current category who should be reviewed for possible movement to a higher or lower category.
- 3) The pro has developed a list of players who are appropriate choices when an STC Coordinator needs to fill a vacancy in an organized play match at the next higher level. At his discretion, the pro may add or delete players from the list.
- 4) The pro has developed a skill-rating form he is using as part of the regular category-validation process for each member.

COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS

There were expressions of support for ensuring that the STC pro and/or the Organized Play Monitoring Committee provide to the Board a monthly report of data on organized play, including the number, methodology, and results of rating appeals, and any concerns related to organized play. The data provided should be included in the published Board minutes.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:53 pm.

Minutes submitted by David Lamb, STC Secretary

REPORTING SCORES: MATCHES PLAYED AT A HIGHER STC CATEGORY

Revised October 8, 2011

There are several options for appealing to move to a higher STC rating category for Organized Play. One approved way to do this is to report scores from the player's **current STC rating category** (details may be obtained at the Tennis Center). A second way, as described in this document, is to report scores from trial matches at the **next higher STC rating category**.

Process:

- 1) Obtain a **Rating Appeal** form at the Tennis Center from a coordinator. Fill it out, including circling the score-reporting option for your appeal, and give it back to the coordinator. Notify the coordinator that when you sign up for organized play for at least the next five matches (15 consecutive complete sets) you should be assigned to a category one level above your current category. (*No appeal fee is required.*)
- 2) Obtain a **Score Reporting** form from a coordinator each time you play with three players at the higher category for at least the next five consecutive matches. **Make certain that one of your opponents signs off legibly on each form to verify the scoring, and turn the form in to the coordinator on duty at the end of each session.**

Rules:

- 1) You may not link with another player when you sign up.
- 2) Matches must be played in the round-robin format. (*You play sets with each of the other three players on the court.*)
- 3) You may not report scores from mixed-doubles matches.
- 4) Each **Score Reporting** form must be legibly signed by one of your opponents to verify the scores.
- 5) Scores must be reported for the next 15 consecutive complete sets (at least five matches) that you play when each of the three other players on the court is rated at the higher category. Sets reported must be consecutive; you may not skip reporting any results. (*This will be verified from court assignment records maintained at the Tennis Center.*) Only completed sets will be counted, but scores from incomplete sets must also be reported.
- 6) After you turn in scores for 15 consecutive sets, an STC coordinator will calculate the percentage of total games played that you won and will move you to the higher STC category if you win at least 45% of the games completed.
- 7) If you win less than 45% of your games you may try once again in 60 days. (*Only two appeals are allowed within a 12-month period.*)

Note: *If you do not quite achieve 45% wins, you may present your results to the pro and request a further review for a possible upward revision of your rating category.*