

Minutes of STC Board of Directors Meeting, December 15, 2015, 4:30 – 6:30 pm

Call to Order: Rick called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm

Attendees: TJ, Rick, Bob, Kay, Ginger and 17 members

Announcements: None

Approval of minutes: Minutes of October 20, 2015 BOD meeting approved.

Treasurer's Report: Bob Stocks reported balances for checking and savings accounts as \$11,643.78 and \$2021.32, respectively, for a total of \$13,665.10. We have 420 members. Cutting coordinator hours and pro costs saved the club over \$5000 so we are within budget. Later in the meeting, it was noted that we need to recruit a volunteer auditor for 2015.

Committee reports:

Provisional Committee – Stephanie Thomas

Stephanie reported on the work of her team (Linda Depew, Nancy Frazer, Ginger Riffel and Joyce Honorof.) Their mission was to draft a process to enable people to move up in the club. This was mostly focused on the women, using the data from OPUS. They recommended three options for a Provisional player to choose:

1. Organized Play at the same level (requiring a 60% win ratio)
2. Organized play at the next level (requiring a 50% win ratio)
3. Use the end-of-year USTA rating to advance. (player must have played two USTA matches in the last calendar year.

There was so much information to absorb and so many questions that the Board tabled the topic until we could review the report that was presented. There was much discussion about making a men's committee and men's OPUS to look at their options and data also. The forever problem was raised again about how to move people down.

The rating discussion brought about the subject that TJ wanted to propose: He made a motion to temporarily sever the STC and USTA rating for the next USTA session because the early start ratings affected several players who would otherwise be required to go through the provisional process. Four board members approved this motion; one was against. Motion was passed.

Social Committee – Debbie McGeehan & John Sochacki

Sadie Hawkins was hugely successful even with the date change. The Tennis Cabana and racket demo was successful for our vendors. The women shopped and the men tested rackets. We will have the vendors return next fall.

There were 131 attendees for the Holiday party and some stayed until the end, after 9 pm.

Upcoming events: John Sochacki is organizing the New Year's Eve social. It will be mixed doubles from 10 am - noon on courts 1-8. On Jan 5 & 10, there will be the UA practice events, and plans are underway for socials on Cinco de Mayo, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day and a fall event.

HOA1 Tennis Committee – no report

HOA2 Tennis Committee – Riley Jackson

Riley reported that the HOA2 BOD is awaiting the results of the pickle ball sound study. At the recent HOA2 BOD meeting, 20 people from unit 32 attended presenting their petition signed by 272 requesting that courts 12 & 13 not be converted to pickle ball. The HOA2 BOD appeared surprised at level of concern by these residents. The BOD was also challenged by residents to explain what other venues have been explored for pickle ball. Joe Cucchiella presented some ideas including financing plans for the costly dig near the Activity Center and challenging RCI to change its position. He also suggested we wait until after transition. TJ thanked Joe for his ideas and shared that there is something in the works that is too premature to discuss. He will keep us posted.

Old Business

OPUS - Joyce Honorof

Joyce gave a thorough report with data analysis of the Womens' OPUS trial. Out of the 10 weeks (two of which were rained out) there were 5 to 8 courts used each week. The programmer made changes to the program to make it easier for the monitors to report and to do queries. The results indicate that the players would like to do it again. One suggestion that came about out of the discussion is that we do this for everyone for one session a week.

New Business:

Activities Fair - Glen George

Glen will organize the event for January 30. Kay will provide the brochure for copies, Ginger will ask to borrow the tennis quilt. TJ, John S. and Ginger volunteered to help.

Gender Tennis - Ginger

Ginger said that 37 people played last year so we decided to do it again for 6 weeks from Jan 20 to Feb 24, Wednesdays from 2 – 4pm. Ginger will reserve the patio, buy balls and recruit captains.

Winter Grandkids Day - Kay Sullivan

Kay is coordinating the event. Pat Mauer and John Sochacki, with assistants Riley and Debbie, will conduct a clinic on Sunday, December 27 from 11:30 am to 1 pm.

Kay also proposed that in the spring we consider having a clinic for HOA employees or their kids during spring break. This was considered a great idea.

BOD Meeting Times –

Kay requested that the BOD meetings be held after 4 pm. Granted. Time will now be 4:15 pm for BOD meetings.

Closed Session - BOD members met to discuss confidential employee information.

Adjourned at 6:25 pm

Respectfully submitted by Kay Sullivan