

STC Membership Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, 14 April, 2010

2:00 at HOA 2, Mountain View, Ballroom West

Call to Order at 2:05 by STC President Bob Weiss. Board members present were President Bob Weiss, Vice President Joe Schullik, Treasurer Peter Bidwell, Director at Large Lynne Donovan acting as Secretary. Secretary Pam Willis was out of town.

President Bob Weiss introduced the Board Members. There were no new tennis club members in attendance.

Peter Bidwell reported, as a member of HOA 2 Tennis Board, about resurfacing Desert View court with a True Court Surface, at a cost of \$50,000. Post Tension resurfacing would be \$25,000 for coating on top of the original surface. The HOA 2 board asked the tennis committee for a better estimate. They want the courts done properly, with a long term solution. Peter feels that we could take advantage of reduced costs because of the economy.

Fred Fahlbusch commented that a Hard Tru clay court surface was used in a tennis club in Colorado ten years ago as a research project. He suggests we get in touch to find out the results. Sun City just put in Post Tension at a cost of \$45,000/Court. It was also noted that other repairs were made that added to the cost. Rhoda Kaplan was concerned about the maintenance. The HOA 2 tennis committee will take back any information to HOA 2 Board.

Announcements

The remaining 2010 Meeting dates were announced: September 15 and November 10

Terry Gibson's contract was signed. Terry was in agreement to be as flexible as possible. Bob stated that the tennis Board of Directors voted for Terry Gibson's contract renewal. The HOA 1 committee approved. Sy Efron suggested that Terry might help with OP as part of his duties.

Steve Watry Desert View Pavilion dedication and ceremony went well. Sue Case, his wife was very pleased.

The STO Newsletter will be using the STC website. There has been great response from the membership for Mary Jo George's newsletter. She is accepting articles for the May issue. There will be no other newsletter until September. Volunteers are needed for information.

Pickleball Clinic on Preserve courts last month caused no problems. A letter from the Pickleball Board was read, congratulating Saddlebrooke tennis for winning the Robson Cup.

The removal of tennis screens for better viewing of tournament matches went well.

Peter Bidwell demonstrated windsocks, which will be placed on some SaddleBrooke tennis courts. If it is well received, it will be placed on other courts.

Non-member court assignment policy adopted by HOA1 and HOA2. Only 3 courts can be used during organized play. One at HOA 1 and two at HOA 2. They can call 7 days in advance. Non-members may request a venue but not a court number.

Robson Cup management change to STC will become part of our duties.

Approval has been made for Committee Chairs.

Vivian Timian, HOA 1 engineer and operations manager, did an excellent job with the completion of court 4 drainage project.

Riley Jackson is now STC Webmaster.

Peter Bidwell made a motion to approve January 13 minutes. All approved.

Treasurer Peter Bidwell announced that there are 6 new members making it a total of 492. This compares with the 2009 total of 512 at this point last year.

Bidwell reported **there** is \$27,200.70 in the checking account. Capital One money market has \$20,075 making a total of \$47,275.70. Bank of the West charity checking account has \$609.16.

Tom Larkin reported on the club championships. Dave Johnson, chairman, was out of town. There were 164 players verses 141 last year. The increase was more mixed doubles teams. A championship party was held afterwards. Many thanks to Bonnie Johnson and Kathy Majer. Thanks to Glen George for the lineups and Riley Jackson for the postings.

Sy Efron thanked Loretta Edgerton, Dwain Sells, Kay Koontz, and Peter Bidwell for their part in the April 17, Inter-Club Event with Heritage Highlands. There will be 16 players. 8 men and 8 women. He would like to do this again with El Con in December. No pot luck. Subs from Fry's.

Joe Schullik reports that mixed doubles will begin October 9 for six weeks. Sign up will start in August. It will be run the same way as team tennis, There will be twelve players on each team. 64 players each Saturday. A donation of \$5.00 for a pizza party afterwards and tennis balls. Sign-ups can be made thru Email. There will be a sub list. There will be no play-offs. Only STC members. There will be a rating committee to ensure team balance.

Joanie and Ernie Dragon are the new chairs of the membership committee. There will be meetings for new members to get them acquainted with STC and get them involved.

Al Bush and Kent Naugle, our maintenance team, have done a great job repairing and fixing tennis nets.

Karen Gray agreed to help with communicating STC News to other Saddlebrooke news organizations.

Bonnie Johnson reported that she and Kathy Majer had a STC social planning party. The purpose was to bring new ideas and new people into the planning for the different holiday socials events through out the year.

Bruce Nissenbaum reported an analysis of OP Audit. The committee report was extensive. There was an 11 member panel. Rhoda Kaplan, Anne Hammond, Mary **Miller**, Karen Gray, Bonnie Nissenbaum, Al Majer, George O'Dom, Dwain Sell, Glen George, John Sochacki and Bruce Nissenbaum. They will be contacting membership to complete a survey. Since 2006, there has been a significant shift towards the high end of individual self- ratings. There will be more work by the committee. There will be no changes until the Fall.

There were nominations from the floor for the 2011 Slate of Officers. Betty Edwards, John Sochacki, Debbie McGeehan, Two returning members, Ed Donovan and Tina Huber.

Vivian Timian, engineer and operations manager for HOA 1 is looking into possible ideas for a ramada , not a canopy, between courts 4 and 6. Linda DePew says that is not the look the HOA 1 committee wants. The cost will be reviewed.

Terry Gibson's request to play on a Saddlebrooke team has been denied. The rule is that a player must live or rent in Saddlebrooke.

Order of priorities for morning use of the tennis courts-- rule # 3.5 : OP first Priority, USTA second, Individual request last.

Court blowers: looking into the cost.

The board is looking into the idea of a Club Racquet Demo Program. What is involved is the purchase of racquets and after a reasonable time for demo use it can be sold. Gene McGeehan represents Wilson and Terry Gibson Babolat, Peter Bidwell will look for a Prince contact. Concerns were to ensure a small enough grip for women. Will it be a problem for the coordinators?

President Weiss contacted groups about procedures for Adoption of a Section of Hwy to maintain. It is a way of giving back to the community.

Question from Karen Gray about charity program this year. Bob Weiss informed us that the event will be held next year, instead.

John Sochacki made a motion to adjourn. It was second by Peter Bidwell. The meeting was adjourned at 3:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynne Donovan