

STC Member Meeting November 8, 2017

Members attending: STC Board; Darrell Jackson, Glen George, Kay Sullivan, Ginger Riffel, and TJ Duffy. Twenty -five other members were in attendance.

Call to Order at 4:00 by Darrell Jackson, President

Minutes for Member Meeting on September 20, 2017 were approved.

Kay Sullivan presented the STC finances. Balances on 11/5/17 are total assets of \$17,081.87 Estimated end of fiscal year net is \$13,581.87. We now have 394 members and two associates. The proposed budget for 2018 was presented to members which included predicted expenses and income based on previous expenses and membership dues. Kay proposed the dues remain the same of \$80 a year full time and \$40 for associates. (Part time members) We had a quorum of members and the dues for 2018 were voted on and approved

Director Report from TJ Duffy – On November 18 both ladies and gentlemen U of A players will be here to perform for a **Cancer Fund Raiser**. All funds will go to the U of A Cancer research. SCI's Denise Spartonos will speak and the UA players will be introduced. Later the Wildcats will warm up and have drill practice for our enjoyment as an audience. The Wildcats then will pair with the top 16 bidders for some doubles tennis in 75 minutes of play. Bids start at \$50 and an unnamed donor will match any \$10 above the minimum. Kathy Majer is organizing a silent auction and donations of items would be appreciated. **All SaddleBrooke residents and guests are encouraged to attend this worthwhile and enjoyable event.** TJ showed the new signs for the Tennis Center Office window.

Cindy Madsen, Nomination Committee Chair, introduced the incoming Board of Directors for 2018. Jim Abrahamson, Vice President; Cheryl Simpson, Secretary; Kay Sullivan, will stay on the board as Treasurer; Chris Madsen, Director-at-Large and Cindy Madsen, President. Their resumes are posted on the Tennis Pavilion Bulletin board.

HOA1: Linda DePew reported the HOA#1 BOD will be voting on the proposed budget on November 16, 2017 for the resurfacing of Courts 5-8, landscaping redone, and the Tennis Center interior renovation. The proposed budget contains \$325,000 for the courts and Construction is planned to begin mid-April with the renovation work in the Tennis Office done concurrently. HOA1 will send out bids for the jobs. Kay Sullivan had worked with Home Depot earlier and provided the plans to HOA1. The step down from Court 1 to the Ramada is being cemented in with a circular ramp. Brian Ross replaced Chris Romiti for HOA#1 Operations. A question was asked about a cover being placed over the picnic table between Courts 4 and 5. Funds were not included in the renovations. Instead of the cover, they built the Tennis Pavilion. (Patio) There was discussion about the storage shed. The minutes of the HOA1 Tennis committee on September 11, 2017 stated they still support the movement of the storage shed from its current location to the southeast side of court # 1. It might be possible; however, there is concern that it might not be structurally sound enough to withstand the transfer. In that event, a new shed would have to be built or purchased.

HOA2: Riley Jackson reported he attended the HOA2 budget presentation which included money for all the courts in 2018, but the detailed expenditures have not yet been made available. A final decision will

be made at a later date. At the next HOA2 Tennis Committee Meeting the Facilities and Operations people will attend. Riley feels positive as to the outcome. The crack on Court 12 surface was discussed. Players are advised to take care. The upgrade to the STC computer system was done on Sunday, November 5. The system had been freezing during the Coordinators use caused by a shared server. The improved server will be more isolated and we will still share but it will have more protection from other users. Most items on the website are the same but it has an improved appearance. It is very nicely done. Thanks, Riley.

Social Committee: Debbie McGeehan - On Nov. 11 Tennis Cabana will be here for us to shop from around noon to 3pm and racket demos at 2 PM. For five years it has been a success with many items on sale. Wilson representatives from California will be here to try out many new rackets. On November 18 we have the U of A coming for a cancer fund raiser. The University tennis players will be here for the occasion. Our STC Holiday Party is on Dec. 5. Information has been sent via email to all members. We are hosting the Nationals again this year on Dec. 27 through the 31. The New Year's Party can begin on the Pavilion after the matches on Dec. 31. John and Carol Sochacki are organizing the party and need someone to confirm the availability of the Tennis Courts before they continue with plans. After a long discussion, TJ replied he would inquire if it is possible to guarantee court use for STC on December 31.

Membership/Orientation Committee – Connie Kacer reported the All Member Appreciation Party held on October 25 was well attended and the board and attendees have been very gracious in their praise of the event. Our final count was approximately 185 but we had budgeted for 191. We were under cost approximately by 15%. The signs Jim Abrahamson designed have been posted at each tennis site, including the bulletin boards at MV and the HOA 1 Fitness Center. We were told the signs can't be posted at the libraries. Jim printed some paper copies to leave outside the fitness center at DV where there are other club and activity information sheets. Adele Allyn is once again running our STC Wants You campaign information in the HOA 2 Clubs and Groups email.

Provisional Oversight Committee (POC) – Stephanie Thomas - The committee has revised requirements and forms several times and we believe everything is now running smoothly. This process has been functioning successfully. The POC is currently considering candidates to fill the position of a 3.5 male POC member who will be rotating off the POC at the end of this year. Throughout next year we will be considering candidates to fill positions of the men and ladies to oversee the provisional players at several levels.

TJ Duffy thanked Stephanie and the POC, Coordinators, Connie Kacer and the M/O committee for all their work.

Unfinished Business: Darrell Jackson is in the process of organizing a Maintenance Committee as we had in the past. HOA2 has been focusing on the transition and our courts have not gotten the care they need. Therefore, a maintenance committee will oversee the needs. Prior members of the committee will also be included.

Glen George has volunteered to continue as liaison for the HOA2 Tennis Committee and Darrell Jackson will continue as the liaison for HOA1.

Doug Wolfe previously requested photos of members to be with the names in the directory on the website. Members could opt out and photos would only show when the name was clicked. A camera costing about \$40 could be used for the profile pictures. It would be an asset for new members to link a name to a face. Riley commented it would be difficult. This needs to be discussed in future Board of Director meetings.

Comments and questions from members: There is unrest about OPUS in the men's division. Some players want to link with partners and few dates are available for the opportunity. It was also suggested the start time of the early session in the winter become 7:30 to 9:30.

Another member is concerned about the scheduling of players of men. Too often play is with the same men. He would like a larger variety of partners. There is not enough of a mix up.

Rick Waldorf would like to nominate TJ Duffy as Member of the Year. He has done an incredible job in many areas to improve our club. All members applauded in agreement. This could be pursued through the Board of Directors. He also thanked the 2017 Board for a job well done.

Adjournment at 5:03

Submitted by Ginger Riffel, Secretary of STC Nov. 14, 2017

There will be a transition meeting in December with the 2017 Board members and the incoming Board members.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:15

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