

## **STC General Membership Meeting April 18, 2018**

**Attending** Cindy Madsen, Chris Madsen, Jim Abrahamson, Cheryl Simpson, Kay Sullivan, and 38 other members

**Call to Order** at 4:00 pm.

**Announcements-** The President, Cindy Madsen, asked if there were any new members present. Three members identified themselves, Alan Cunningham, Kathy Kortus, and Dagmar Hampton. Cindy also stated that she and 3 others had recently cleaned out the STC shed, in preparation of the moving of the shed to the golf cart parking lot.

**Approval of the BOD Minutes-** Minutes of the March 20 ,2018 BOD meeting were approved.

**Treasurer Report-** Kay Sullivan reported on the current budget. We have assets of \$26,219.86 , and YTD expenses of \$26,080.54. YTD expenses are more than last year at the same time due to increased pro costs and an unexpected software expense. Extrapolating the rest of the year, we will have an ending balance nearly \$5000 less than budgeted. Consequently she addressed several options, cutting event costs or increasing future dues, to keep our savings up to par. This will be further discussed by the Board in May. Membership : 382, 371 FT and 12 Associates.

### **Committee Reports -**

**HOA1-** Linda Depew repeated the recent court renovation updates. Courts 5-8 and sidewalks are poured, the courts need to be “cured” for 30 days. Courts 1-4 are padlocked to prevent any use during construction. Repairing fences 1-4 begins next week. The ball machine is moving and the STC shed will be moved in place. The HOA1 patrol has upped their sight patrol of the area. The HOA1 House Committee has approved the Center’s proposed layout, use of granite countertops and cabinet changes. There will be a poster board showing our floorplan in the Center soon. The HOA1 Operations Director is obtaining bids and the timeline is August or September for work completion.

**HOA2-** Rick Waldorf introduced himself to the group as our new liaison to the Fitness, Wellness, and Recreation Committee of HOA2. He attended their April meeting on the 3rd. Damon Williams and Walter Yassie attended as well. Rick explained to them our concerns about courts 10 and 12 needing repairs, courts 22 and 21 needing re-painting, and court 22 needing to be converted back to a tennis court, and restriped. Mr Yassie stated that the budget and bidding for tennis did not happen this year, but is planned for next year. He stated that the same company that HOA1 is using, Elite, could supply a bid for HOA2’s courts as well, but he hasn’t contacted them yet. The 2018 HOA2 budget should have the money to cover these repairs. Rick states he will continue to follow up on HOA2’s commitments.

**Maintenance-** Bob Stocks reported on the process the Maintenance committee follows to inspect the courts, report discrepancies to the Chairman, Coordinators, and to HOA Maintenance Supervisors for action. Darrell Jackson, Jerry Fay, Jay Cleary, and Frank

Valenti all assist in this process. Bob and the STC Coordinators all log in the items that need addressing and notify the appropriate HOA maintenance Supervisors. They in turn should review the problem, make an action plan, and re-contact the STC Coordinators. The Committee chairman, Bob, is provided a weekly progress report from the STC Coordinators.

The courts' daily clean up and weekly washing should be consistent for each HOA maintenance team, but it's not a perfect or absolute system. Some equipment- net tapes, worn wind flags, old benches, worn out windscreens- have not been ordered or installed. It is yet unclear how HOA2 will handle these items, as well as repairing or re-striping courts, after their Transition from Robson owned properties.

The maintenance supervisor, Jaime Lathrop, walked all the HOA2 courts. Mountain view has a budget for court repair for nets, repainting, and needs bidding for same. Desert View's court repair needs are similar. The Preserve courts have no budgeted money for court repairs or changes, but do have money for windscreens. All players are waiting for a decision on re-striping of Court #22 as well.

**Social** - Debbie McGeehan was absent for our Meeting. However there won't be any Socials planned until the STC Courts are done, hopefully by our projected July 4th party.

**Orientation-** Connie Kacer stated there were no new members in April. They are also delaying posting of the photos at STC, due to court construction.

**Provisional** - Stephanie Thomas was absent and David Lamb gave her report. He stated that 2 lessons have been given to new members since mid February and 7 lessons need to be scheduled. There are also several members that will need evaluations from the Pro.

**Rules** - Terry Rowell is Chairwomen for this committee. Additional members of the Committee are the Senior Coordinator of the STC Nancy Fraser, Chairperson of HOA1 Linda Depew, Chairperson of HOA2 Committee Rick Waldorf, Chairperson of the Bylaws committee Connie Kacer, and advisor Steve Leane. They have been working hard on updating the Tennis Rules and Bylaws, in preparation for the BOD work session in May.

**Nominating** - Sandy Stettler and Gary Rowell have chosen 3 other committee members to assist them in creating nominations for next year's Board. They are Laura Ingold, John Sochacki, and Mike Oberski.

## **Old Business -**

**Provisional Committee-** David Lamb gave written hand-outs with detailed information on 6 motions his Committee has been working on to help refine the Provisional Process that they have been using for the last year. He stated each new motion and explained the rationale for each one. Then there was discussion from the Membership for each, and finally any refinement needed was decided upon and voted on.

Motion #1 The STC board moves to amend the provisional process by requiring the completion of twelve sets in the provisional process.

Motion made by David Lamb, seconded by Brian Stocks, and the motion passed by a large majority.

Motion #2 The STC Board moves to amend the provisional process by requiring members who want to advance in rank to compete against a minimum of six different players.

Motion made by David Lamb, seconded by Riley Jackson, and the motion passed with a large majority.

Motion #3 The STC Board moves to amend the provisional process to require that all provisional matches be assigned only players at the mid-range of the next higher rank.

Motion made by David Lamb, seconded by Kay Sullivan, and the motion passed with a large majority.

Motion#4 The STC Board moves that STC Associate Members be required to be evaluated by the Club Pro to determine their appropriate ratings.

Motion made by David Lamb, seconded by Alan Culling, and the motion passed with a large majority.

Motion #5 The STC Board moves to amend the definition of this committee to read in part: “The POC Committee will assist the coordinators in the match pairing process to ensure that provisional players are matched with players at the mid range of the next higher rank.”

Motion made by David Lamb, seconded by TJ Duffy, new wording was defined, and the motion passed with a large majority.

Motion#6 The STC Board moves to amend the definition of this committee to read in part: “Staggered term limits of members will be one year with an optional second year on the POC.”

Motion made by David Lamb, seconded by Ginger Riffel, and the motion passed with a large majority.

**OPUS-** Chris Madsen spoke to the group about how and why OPUS play can be not only fun, but also important for several Club needs.

- The OPUS process can help to balance pairings of members at Socials.
- It can assist in choosing equitable partners for new member’s evaluations and for provisional play.
- The OPUS computer program can assist in creating continuous rankings of the Members that play.

This can work if, and only if, everyone puts their scores in at the end of each play day, and if many people at each level participate. He thinks that even playing only 12 times a year would help establish a player’s proper ranking.

Also, reestablishing Club Championships would be dependent on more OPUS participation, especially from some higher level groups.

He feels that in order for this to happen, the Club should create a method to get involvement.

Therefore he is recommending that an "Oversight" committee be established to review how to enforce getting more participation from the Membership as a whole. He asked for volunteers from those present to help him with the committee's goals and purpose. He also thinks that someone on the committee could help with marketing the idea of how essential OPUS is to the Club. John Sochacki volunteered to be on the committee, and Chris will also seek others to fill out this committee's plan. There was discussion regarding moving players ranking down as well as up. Also the men's Thursday OP could sometimes join forces with OPUS scheduling. Cheryl Simpson again suggested that women's OPUS consider moving to Friday in order to not compete with USTA League matches and players.

**New Business - None.**

**Member questions-**

Ron Bechky suggested that the Board consider relinquishing the Club's MV tennis courts in order to eventually create pickleball courts for the SB Pickleball Club. He stated it would be more economical than indoor courts, and special **Acoustifence** soundproofing would significantly reduce the noise. This suggestion will be tabled, there will be future discussion if appropriate.

**Meeting was adjourned at 5:45**

Respectfully submitted by Cheryl Simpson, Secretary