

**Balboa Tennis Club  
Board of Directors Meeting  
April 17, 2007**

**Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm**

**Attendees:** Robin Rodger, Ron Celeste, Richard Barndt, Linda Stadelli, Andy Katz, John Rodriguez, Bob Gates, Don Goyette, Geoff Griffin and Colleen Clery Ferrell. Linda Long, Barbara Gregorio and Dwight Van Slyke were excused. A correction was made to the March minutes. Richard Barndt was present at the March 20, 2007 board meeting. The minutes of the March 20, 2007 meeting were approved, as well as the absences.

**President's Report:** Robin reported on the results of the e-mail concerning stadium court upgrades by CH Court Tec. The board voted in favor of putting netting around the stadium court with the CH Court Tech logo prior to Tennis Fest.

**15 Minute Member Presentation** – George J Wajda made a presentation to the board about an incident, which occurred Saturday, February 16, 2007 on the stadium court. He was involved in an altercation with three non-members over a court reservation. He provided a seven- page description of the incident to the board. His closing statement was, “ We need security here,” referring to Balboa Tennis Club. Bob commented that security would cost \$25,000 per year. Robin mentioned that George neglected to fill out an incident report for the Director to immediately follow up the incident. The board assured George that further action would be taken. Richard advised Colleen to consult Kathleen Hasenauer about what power the club has to deny anyone a day pass as the three individuals involved in the incident were non members. Colleen will send a letter to George, acknowledging that the club is dealing with the situation.

**Treasurer's Report:** Ron reviewed the financials for the month of March 2007. The club lost \$1119 overall. Facilities purchases included lattice for the Pro Shop, light bulb replacement, plumbing and the netting experiment for the tennis courts 7 and 8. The Paul Buskey Memorial was booked as the first tournament of the season. Good news on memberships and permits as they both exceeded budget this month. From a YTD perspective, BTC is right on budget.

**Tennis Director's Report:** Geoff commented on the upcoming Spring Club Tournament. He has booked 8 courts from 9-11:00 a.m. and 15 courts from 11-5:00 p.m. The tournament will run on Saturday and Sunday, April 21-22 and then Friday – Sunday, April 27-29. Geoff said Tennis Fest planning is going well. Don mentioned that the Tennis Fest website doesn't include the date of Tennis Fest. Geoff Griffin will call Jeff Anderson with this information. Boris Becker is a possible guest for the event. According to Geoff, the Spring Fever Social went well. Tournament Sponsorship is coming along with three \$500 sponsors already committed.

**Club Director's Report:** The church company that distributes marker boards is more expensive than US Markerboard. Brochures with comparative prices were passed out in the members' packet. Thanks went out to Richard Barndt for purchasing the new laser printer, delivering, installing and providing a two- hour tutorial. The new requirements by the city to move the bleachers to the grassy area outside courts 11 and 12 were read. Robin said there would be major challenges with the ADA requirement alone. Colleen was advised by the board to contact the city to see if they want the bleachers somewhere in the area and thus they might incur the cost as well. G-Force, the company that replaces the light bulbs at the club, will still be able to fit their scaffold through the divided courts, should we decide to fence the courts. Measurements prior to putting in the fences are suggested. Court 8 bench initially received comments about being too close to the court, yet comments have been more favorable as of late. The Women's Challenge Court will begin Wednesday, May 9 – Wednesday June 6. This is a trial period for one day a week, from 8:00 a.m.- 8:00 p.m. to see how much the court is utilized. BTC guests will be advised to consult San Diego Site Pros for hotels rooms when necessary. BTC receives a 50% rebate at year-end. The club is looking for a weekend maintenance person. Refer interested parties to Colleen. Membership checks were effective last week especially on Friday night when \$35.00 in permits were sold to the Federation alone. Board members made no additional comments on the challenge court rules. A more durable and readable sign will be made up for court 9. A staff meeting was held last week. Notes from the meeting were included in the members' packets.

### **Committee Reports**

***Facilities:*** Dwight was absent from the meeting. He will bring financial estimates at the next meeting. Robin asked Colleen to check with Kathleen Hasenauer about having the city move the bleachers to another location at their expense.

***Constitution and by-laws:*** None

***Contract and Lease:*** None

***Newsletter Deadline:*** April 20, 2007. Newsletter needs to be in the hands of the members quickly to inform them about Tennis Fest on May 6 the league meeting on May 9 and the Women's Challenge Court also beginning on May 9.

***Ethics:*** Andy reported on the incident in which he and Richard constructed a letter addressing Dr. Dimry's behavior. Andy said he now has a better idea of how to handle these issues in the future. Robin mentioned that the reservation agents need to spend more time walking around and monitoring the courts.

***Youth Program:*** None

***Special Projects:*** Linda consulted someone to make a cover for the cushion in the women's bathroom. She needs \$200 to cover the cost. Bob made a motion and John seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Linda will also check on replacing bricks outside clubhouse where the wall is falling apart.

***Capital Campaign:*** None

***BTC Legacy:*** None

**Website Update:** Linda mentioned that the board meeting minutes need to be updated. Don will take care of posting current minutes and change the web address for Tennis Fest. Tournament Sponsorship information has already been posted on the website.

**Tennis Café:** Committee consisting of Richard, Robin, Ron and John has been set. No word from Ed yet on buyers.

**Unfinished Business:**

***Sponsors for Tournament T-shirts:*** – Racquet Bracket, A New Kitchen and Graphic Interfaces have already committed with \$500 checks. Still waiting on two other companies with verbal commitments.

**New Business:**

***Stadium Court*** – CH Court Tech desires to make our stadium a premier venue. They are interested in adding netting as previously mentioned with logos, power washing the concrete, painting the steps, and resurfacing the court in due time. They are also interested in closing off the entrances with Plexiglas. All services would be complimentary. Court Tech will need to specify where they want their logo to be placed prior to the work being done.

***Clay Tech*** – Bob researched a company called Clay Tech, that covers existing concrete with an artificial surface and infills the material with hard tru. This court is easier on the legs and would appeal to the BTC Senior membership. Colleen called earlier in the day and spoke with the sales person from Clay Tech about using a court at BTC for a demonstration of the product. The company would lay down a court, yet if the club liked the material, the price would be between \$25,000 – \$30,000. A new court goes for \$40,000. The synthetic material is glued to a hard court. Daily maintenance includes 2-4 minutes of watering, lining and sweeping the court. Andy Katz will bring his computer to next month's meeting to view the video on this product.

***Mutka at Union Bank*** – Mutka is a member of BTC would like to set up a table for advertisement of Union Bank. The board agreed the bank needs to be a sponsor the tournament in order to advertise. This information will be relayed back to Mutka.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Don Goyette