

**Balboa Tennis Club
Board of Directors Meeting
December 4, 2007**

Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm

Attendees: Robin Rodger, Ron Celeste, Richard Barndt, Linda Stadelli, Don Goyette, Barbara Gregorio, Bob Gates, Dwight Van Slyke, John Rodriguez, Geoff Griffin and Colleen Clery Ferrell. The minutes from the November 14, 2007 meeting were approved after Linda mentioned that particians was incorrectly spelled under facilities. This change will be made. Andy Katz and Ruth Nutt were unable to make the meeting. Richard made a motion to approve the absences and Dwight seconded the motion.

President's Comments: Robin announced the results from the e-mail vote on not painting the locker room. Since the motion didn't pass, the locker room was painted. Robin reminded everyone that the January Board Meeting is the club's Annual Meeting. Geoff will propose his goals for 2008 and the incoming treasurer will present the proposed budget for 2008. Robin, Dwight, Ron, John and Colleen will meet on December 18th to finalize the budget. The new board will elect a vice president, secretary and treasurer. Dwight will appoint other officers and committee chairs at the January Meeting. All insurance policies and permits for the Pro Shop and Tennis Café need to be checked by Colleen.

15 Minute Member Presentation – None

Treasurer's Report: Ron pointed out that in the month of November, the club lost \$8200. Nearly \$4500 of this loss was due to refurbishing the Men's restroom. YTD for 11 months, the club has lost \$70. Compared to 2006, memberships are down \$2500 and facility spending is up \$3800. YTD memberships are down \$4500 while permits are up \$3000. In comparison to the budget, memberships are down \$2700 while permits are up \$3700. Facility spending is up \$12,200 and this is mostly due to the men's restroom. YTD Budget, the net income is under \$70, which is \$1500 off the budget. So far, the club has spent \$10,700 for the men's restroom, with some incidentals yet to be paid.

Tennis Director's Report: Geoff reported on the Turkey Shoot Social, which went well and had a turnout of 40 people. He requested that players prepay at the reservation desk prior to signing up. Players should also be told that if they show up late for the event, their spot might be forfeited. Players must arrive by 3:00 p.m. Geoff helped put together, run and play in the One Up, One Down Wheelchair Tournament this past weekend. Geoff will be distributing flyers about his annual toy drive. He has chosen the San Diego Rescue Mission as the recipient. There are 9 families with special requests. Toys should be unwrapped and dropped off at the Pro Shop. Checks can be made out to the Junior Fund. The next social is scheduled for January 12.

Club Director's Report: The Women's Challenge Court continues to be steady on Wednesday mornings. CH Court Tech moved the awning from court 18 to court 8, yet ran into difficulty because of a sizing difference. The pole on court #5 was repaired. Still waiting on court #11 to get a clamp for the awning. Richard reset the timer so the lights come on at 4:00 p.m. A 2008 list of upcoming tournaments, socials and free clinics was

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distributed to the board for approval. Art Sloane has requested an extension for his hearing. He plans to attend the January 15 meeting. Air Canada Tournament is booked September 22-25. San Diego Summer Sports Classic group request to begin play at 11:00 a.m., June 21-22, was denied. If the group want the courts, the start time has to be 12:00 p.m. Colleen is requesting a credit card for emergency purposes and when vendors request the use of a card instead of check. The board would like Colleen to check into getting a separate credit card, which wouldn't have access to the club bank account and without annual fees. Colleen will look into this matter and report back. Tim, the weekend maintenance man, failed to show up for his review this Sunday. Documentation and counseling is in progress. Colleen mentioned that she received several thank you notes from the Intersectional Teams for the club's support. She also thanked the board for her 2008 wage increase. Colleen read the complaint by Jim Garcia about being rejected by George when he asked for an Ultimate Challenge slip. The board decided the players on this court must have a USTA/NTRP Ranking of 4.5. The Reservations Agents will have access to the USTA website for verification. She also read a complaint about George being away from the desk for prolonged periods of time. He needs to be more vigilant about arriving to the desk five minutes before the hour.

Tennis Café – None

Committee Reports

Facilities: Several board members took a tour of the men's locker and restroom. The mirrors still need to be replaced, as well as the carpet cleaned and new shower rods in the restroom. Dwight mentioned several members have requested an exercise bicycle. After discussion, the board decided against this request. Others have also mentioned getting a used leaf and debris picker upper. One of Dwight's first priorities will be to get funds for a new backboard and possibly lights for the lower courts.

Constitution and by-laws: None

Contract and Lease: None

Employment and Personnel:

Newsletter Deadline: January 18, 2008

Ethics: Andy Katz was absent from the meeting so Richard summarized the letter he wrote to Art Sloane concerning the profanity complaint against him.

Youth Program: Barbara reported that the youth program is going well. She spoke about a new recruit who showed up at the courts with a wooden racquet.

Special Projects: Linda said that everyone has their assignments for the upcoming Holiday Party. She will be arriving back in town the day of the party. Robin and Ron will take care of the chicken since Ruth Nutt isn't expected back. Colleen will purchase beer and ice for the party. Dwight will be the greeter at the door. When the guests arrive, they will be given a nametag and allowed to get a drink. The food line will not open prior to 6:00 p.m.

BTC Legacy: None

Website Update: Dwight will try to help Colleen add separate list of members to Outlook Express. Richard will help if needed.

Unfinished Business:

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Bulletin Board – Bob and Colleen went over proposed design for the bulletin board across from the clubhouse. They decided to have half the board for messages and half the board for club upcoming events. More details will emerge at Jan. 2008 meeting.

Clay court proposal – Jim Lackritz sent a detailed report on his visit to try out the Classic Clay Court. He is concerned about the wear and tear of the carpet over the years. He found the surface to be much different from Hard Tru. He is willing to help BTC with their decision. Anne Russ will contact Suella Steele about the group of men who might be interested in financing a clay court. A man, who lives close to Barnes Tennis Center, donated \$30,000 to have their clay courts improved. Dwight believes the price of the Classic Clay could be reduced.

Tournament Meeting Minutes – Robin read the minutes from the 2007 Tournament Season Recap meeting attended by Fran Wakefield, Carole Bunker, Dwight Van Slyke, Robin Rodger, Colleen Ferrell, Geoff Griffin and Chaz Griffin.

Pro Shop Leaks – Dwight mentioned the leaks in the Pro Shop from the recent rains and watering in front of the Pro Shop. Colleen will set up a meeting with Dan Dineri from the city and Dwight to discuss the problem and offer solutions. Colleen will also speak with Steve the city gardener about excessive watering.

Walkie-talkies – Richard reported that the transformers in several of the chargers for the walkie-talkies aren't functioning. He ordered 5 new transformers and will reconfigure the existing chargers for about \$5 each.

New Business:

Laptop computer and monitor for tournaments – The board approved the purchase of a new laptop computer and compatible monitor for all designated Balboa Tennis Club Tournaments, not to exceed \$1200. Dwight made a motion; Don seconded the motion and the board voted unanimously to approve the purchase.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm. Executive Session to follow.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Don Goyette