

Balboa Tennis Club Board of Directors Annual Meeting

January 15, 2008

Meeting called to order at 7:04 p.m.

Attendees: Dwight Van Slyke, Robin Rodger, Ron Celeste, Richard Barndt, Linda Stadelli, Don Goyette, Barbara Gregorio, Bob Gates, John Rodriguez, Ruth Nutt, Geoff Griffin and Colleen Clery Ferrell

The minutes from the December 4, 2008 meeting were approved. Andy Katz did not make the meeting. His absence was approved by the board.

President's Comment's: The new president Dwight Van Slyke outlined his goals beginning with a new backboard and lights for the lower courts. He also suggested a dues increase. Robin said the club needs city approval before dues can be raised. In order to justify to the members the increase in dues, the club will present ideas on how the money will be utilized. Colleen and her staff will check with other clubs to find out how much their annual dues are so we can do a cost comparison. The annual cost of living increase will be a factor in the consideration. The April newsletter will announce the proposed increase and ask for feedback. Ben Press will be interviewed for the upcoming newsletter as he has had a membership for 72 years. In order to save paper and shorten the meetings, Dwight suggests financials be reviewed in a one page summary by John Rodriguez, the new treasurer. On a quarterly basis, all account information will be passed out to board members. An article in the upcoming newsletter will encourage members to submit e-mail addresses and ask requests for those who would like to receive their newsletter via e-mail.

Member Presentation: Peter Conneely suggested the club purchase a router and a satellite dish for the clubhouse to encourage more people to come to the club, work on the internet, watch television and support the Tennis Café. Peter says Al is trying to grow his business and these additions could help. Robin pointed out that the club prohibits non members from using the clubhouse; therefore these additions might encourage outsiders to look for a television or internet connection at BTC. The cost of adding a satellite dish will be checked into and reported at the February meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Ron attended one more meeting to give the 2007 Annual Report. On the balance sheet, after all reserves are figured, the club still has \$108,000 in the bank, which is \$8000 over the designated amount the board voted on many years ago. In the month of December, the club lost \$1467. YTD the club is still ahead, \$272. In comparing 2006 to 2007, permits are up \$3000, yet this is offset by a decrease in memberships of \$2500. The \$8500 extra money spent in facilities went into the upgrade of the men's restroom. \$3500 was saved in insurance by switching workman's comp companies. Interest income increased \$800 by switching over to Wachovia for a better rate. Locker rents were down 40% and this issue will be examined. YTD according to the budget, permits were up and memberships were down. Most

areas were right on target. Even with a tight budget, the club was still able to accomplish many things. A motion was made to approve the 2008 budget and passed unanimously.

Tennis Director's Report: Geoff passed around all the thank you notes from the nine needy families at the Rescue Mission who received all their requested gifts. He is happy to have a local organization be the recipient of the club's generosity. Geoff spoke about cancelling the January Social and rescheduling next year for a later date. This date was too close to the holidays and football season. At the district dinner, two club members – Roz King and Pat Mason – will receive awards, as well as CH Court Tech. Geoff is concerned about early morning people throwing tennis balls to their dogs on the court and leaving scratches. Court attendants will be advised. Geoff would like to sponsor two additional children each month through the Junior Fund which currently has over \$7000. A motion was made and passed unanimously. Geoff's goals for 2008 were submitted to the president and passed around. Colleen will check into putting a portion of the Junior Fund into a CD to earn interest income. Richard will purchase a new laptop and monitor prior to the next board meeting.

Club Director's Report: CH Court Tech will put up an awning on Fran Wakefield's bench next week and get on schedule for Center Court in February. Colleen and Gil put on paper the proper emergency procedures for the club. Bob suggested getting these coated with plastic and posting in the clubhouse and other critical places. Colleen is trying to set up a CPR/AED and First Aid class for the employees and tennis staff. Barbara will look into more economical classes through the Red Cross. San Diego Heartbeat will send an instructor to the club, yet the class cost is \$50 per person. Additional tiles for safety have been installed in the shower area of the women's locker room. Colleen read George's suggestion about getting fence installed around courts 8, 18 and 9 to keep people out at night. Dwight will follow up with SD Fence to get an estimate. SDG& E has been estimating cost of bill for the last 5 months of 2007. They couldn't get into room which had a city lock, thus an extra \$1090 bill arrived for December 2007. A board e-mail vote approved the usage of a club credit card to be used only when the vendors won't take checks. The board passed the motion unanimously under the stipulation that a monthly statement be attached to the treasurer's report each month. A computer tech fixed Colleen's internet problems and suggested proper rewiring. Richard replied that he will raise the wiring off the ground. G-mail will be utilized for club e-mail blasts in 2008, under the Balboardirector@gmail.com address. Clubhouse rental policy will remain the same for 2008. Al from the Tennis Café is upset about having to wipe off the tables in front of the Café. Colleen read a few sentences from his permit which clarified that he is responsible, not the club. Al would also like to increase the cost of the Tennis Socials from \$6.00 to \$7.00. The board would like for Al to justify the increase by stating what menu he intends to use for the socials. Colleen stated her goals for 2008.

Committee Reports:

Facilities: The men's restroom still needs two new mirrors and the shower rods replaced. Darren will be back to fix the floor in the men's restroom by using a two part epoxy. The color

will be tan with black speckles. Bob suggested that the urinals be recaulked. Colleen will check back with Dan Dineri of the city about gutters for the Pro Shop to prevent water leakage. A fold up seat in the handicapped shower area will be installed. Manual sweeps for the tennis courts range on line from \$239-800, with shipping. They will pick up leaves and fuzz. The sweepers may even cut down on washing. Dwight was given approval to purchase one for the club. As stated in the BTC permit with the city, the courts should be washed every two weeks. Net dividers are being installed at this time.

Constitution and By-laws – none

Contract and Lease – none

Employment and personnel – none

Newsletter Deadline – January 18, 2008

Ethics – The letter sent to Art Sloane was summarized by Richard and Colleen. The most recent continuance granted to Mr. Sloane will be his final one. He must send in writing his side of the case or be represented by legal counsel at the February 19, 2008 meeting. Dwight called Stephanie Carstensen to let her know a follow up letter was sent to Mr. Sloane.

Youth Program – none

Activities – None

Special Projects – None

Web Site Updating – Dwight requested the aerial view of the club be put on the website. Colleen will find the jpg on her computer and send it to Don for the website.

Unfinished Business:

Bulletin Board – Bob is still researching bulletin boards. US Markerboard possibility came up again. Robin will check into the Markerboard and report back. Geoff would still like to have a portion of the bulletin board to advertise his Pro Shop.

Urinal Signs – Dwight would like to have sign holders installed in view of the urinals and stall for club information.

Soft Courts – None

New Business:

Proposal to add clay courts on new land – none

Presidential Committee Appointments

Vice President – Richard; **Treasurer** – John; **Secretary** – Don;

Parliamentarian – Richard Barndt; **Facilities** – Dwight; **Ethics** – Andy

Activities – Barbara; **Employment and Personnel** – Andy;

Budget and Finance – John; **Leases and Contracts** – Robin; **Special Projects** – Linda; **Youth** – Barbara; **Website** – Don; **Election** – Don – **In August**, Don will appoint 7 people to be on a committee if there needs to be an election.

Adjournment – 8:58 p.m. The next meeting is February 19, 2008