

## **Balboa Tennis Club Board of Directors Meeting –March 18, 2008**

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

**Attendees:** Richard Barndt, Robin Rodger, Linda Stadelli, Barbara Gregorio, Bob Gates, John Rodriguez, Ruth Nutt, Geoff Griffin and Colleen Clery Ferrell. Dwight Van Slyke, the president, was out of town. In his absence, Richard Barndt, the vice president, chaired the meeting. Peter Conneely was in attendance as he would like to get back on the board to fill a vacancy. A vote will take place at the April meeting. Andy Katz and Don Goyette were absent. The minutes from the February 2008 meeting were approved as well as the absences.

**President's Comment's:** Richard Barndt instructed the board members to read Dwight's comments. "The new monthly bulletin boards are up in the restroom. Bill Torres needs to stop soliciting the stringing of racquets for players at the club. New signs are being made in the stadium. (Colleen) The new sweeper is running great. We need new signs (per Don Green) about "no soccer" behind courts 11 and 12. The club needs better descriptive signs on the recycling containers and they need to be larger. See enclosed letter from Paul O'Neil. In theory seems like a good idea to me. I saw Mark Gregory on Sunday the 9<sup>th</sup> at the club. He entered the clubhouse, came out right away and left as far as I could see. We are getting costs together for the storage area under the stairs."

**Member Presentation:** Peter Conneely will save presentation for next meeting when the president is in attendance.

**Treasurer's Report:** In absence of the treasurer, Colleen reported on the club financials. The net income for the month of February is \$103. In February 2007, the club lost \$1806. Permits are up, membership is up and good weather is the reason for both increases. YTD, membership and permits exceed 2007. Court rental is down as two groups haven't paid yet. Facility spending is double last year with the purchase of netting, marker board and the court sweeper. Office spending is up high with the purchase of the new laptop computer and monitor. YTD the club is under \$7300. Tournament revenue will not kick in until the summer months. Overall, the club is close to budget within \$246 for the month of February. YTD, the club is \$4100 over budget due to facility and office expenses. Robin inquired about water and security expenses.

**Tennis Director's Report:** Geoff apologized for missing last month's meeting. He had pneumonia and was unable to attend. Tennis Fest is the next big event that he's working on at this time. He asked the board if they would like to donate two memberships for the raffle. Robin and Richard said we haven't done this in the past and declined the request. Geoff has requested all 25 courts from 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. The District will give an upgraded \$6500 to

Tennis Fest. Part of this money will go towards an entertainer this year. Each participant will also receive a complimentary can of tennis balls in the goodie bag. Sign -ups will begin at 11:00 a.m. and clinics start at 1:00 p.m.

Robin and Ruth mentioned to Geoff that they thought his shop should have some type of record keeping for the people who get their racquets restrung. Other members have expressed the same desire so they know when they last had their racquets restrung. Robin and Ruth recommended using stickers on the racquets. Geoff is concerned about Sonja having to write the numbers on the stickers because of her handwriting issues, yet he will institute some type of filing system. Robin and Ruth also mentioned the ball machine. Geoff said the machine is not working and he's trying to get it repaired. Richard inquired about information on the website. He wondered whether stringing and Pro Shop items are listed on the website. Geoff will work on getting all these areas in order.

Robin brought up the new marker board location outside the clubhouse. She thought it "looked awful" and would like to see it changed. She wants to see the bulletin board underneath taken off and the placement of the marker board changed.

**Club Director's Report:** Colleen received an e-mail from a local resident who has been using the BTC recycler for awhile. There was some confusion as the City of San Diego has the club's address listed on their website, yet the actual locations are at the dog park and baseball fields for city drop off. Colleen will add additional signage to the recyclers to direct people. Signs will be posted in the stadium to deter stair runners. The complaint filed by Dean Schlagel and Skip Shaputnic about extending singles court time to one and a half hours was denied by the board. Court usage for doubles allows more people to play than singles, so the time allotment is greater. Letter board was installed outside the clubhouse. Larger letters are on order. Sandy Cadel's request for injury compensation was denied by the board. No credit for illness or injury is allowed by BTC. Hard copies of the roster are due any day. Colleen suggested new fund raising idea. She is checking into small recycled plastic tables for the middle of the benches. Colleen read complaint by James Adams about Bill Torres. Paul Buskey Senior Tournament was a success with increased income and entries. The financial report will come out in April meeting.

**Tennis Café:** None

## **Committee Reports:**

- A. **Facilities:** Eddie is coming to check out the roof leaking over the storage area for Al.
- B. **Constitution and By-laws** – none
- C. **Contract and Lease** – Executive Session
- D. **Employment and Personnel** – none
- E. **Newsletter Deadline** –April 18, 2008
- F. **Ethics** – Robin said the Ethics Committee met on Sunday to discuss several issues. Richard summarized the ongoing problem with Bill Torres. He spoke about Geoff's frustration with Torres selling racquets and soliciting his stringing service at the club. Colleen put a call into the San Diego Park and Recreation District Manager, yet the person who handles our permit is out until March 24. The club needs to find out if we can deny a day pass and if a permit is needed to do business in the parking lot. Ruth suggested putting up signs around the club which states, "Please do not patronize outside vendors." Susan Lowrey Mendoza, the District Manager from the city, will be contacted next week about these inquiries
- G. **Youth Program** – Barbara said many parents drop their children off late and expect them to be enrolled in class. They need to be told this is unacceptable. Geoff mentioned that the club is sponsoring a nine and five year old from the same family for lessons twice a week out of the Junior Fund. The cost is \$60 per month.
- H. **Activities** – None
- I. **Special Projects** – Linda reported that the planters were redone for \$450. The board requested that Gil water the plants twice a week.
- J. **Web Site Updating** – None

**Unfinished Business:** None

## **New Business:**

Geoff ordered towels for the upcoming summer tournaments. They will be white with blue lettering. The cost is \$3.40 per towel.

Adjournment: 8:14 p.m. Executive session to follow.  
Minutes respectfully submitted by Robin Rodger

