

Balboa Tennis Club Board of Directors Meeting –April 15, 2008

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Attendees: Dwight Van Slyke, Richard Barndt, Don Goyette, Robin Rodger, Barbara Gregorio, Ruth Nutt, Geoff Griffin and Colleen Clery Ferrell. Linda Stadelli and John Rodriguez were absent. The board voted to approve their absences. Dwight announced that Andy Katz will no longer be a member of the board as he is moving to Sacramento. Peter Conneely and Roxanne Drees were in attendance as prospective board members. An amendment to the March minutes was brought up by Geoff Griffith concerning the charge for two children the club is sponsoring each month. The cost is \$60 per month. The minutes from the March 2008 meeting were approved with the correction.

Member Presentation: BTC Club Member Mike Hernacki introduced Ron La Chance from E-Waste Green, the owner of a company which sponsors Electronic Waste Recycling Fundraisers. Mike and Ron proposed the idea of holding a fundraiser for Chaz Griffin to raise money for him due to his illness. The fundraiser would take place on one day from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. in the parking lot of BTC. Members of the club, of the community, friends, business contacts and anyone in San Diego that can be contacted will be asked to bring computers, televisions, lap tops, monitors, cell phones, cameras, fax, vcr, dvd, stereos, scanners and any type of electronic devices which are no longer in use. This will be a free recycling drive for people to drop off their electronics without having to pay a recycling fee. The fund for Chaz would receive 40% of the net profit. Each electronic item is torn apart with the salvaged parts being reused. All data and material on the hard drive will be destroyed in the process. Certificates of destruction are issued, guaranteeing the complete destruction of all items. The club will need to promote the event in the area, through the newsletter, North Park News, Jerry Magee at the UT Sport's Desk, at coffee shops and even on Craig's List. Volunteers are needed to check in the items at the truck. Mike will spearhead the BTC committee, along with Barbara Gregorio and Geoff Griffin. E-Waste Green has insurance to cover the event. Colleen will check with the City of San Diego to see if a permit is required. A tentative date has been set for Saturday, June 7, 2008.

President's Comment's: Dwight introduced Peter Conneely and Roxanne Drees to the board. Peter spoke about being a member since 1998 and feeling a sense of purpose as a BTC Board Member. He sees great opportunity to market different events at BTC. He looks forward to serving on the board. The board voted unanimously to elect Peter. Roxanne saw the notice in the bathroom about needing more board members. She presently works as a full time staff accountant for 12 hotels. She has been taking lessons from Geoff. She really likes all the things Geoff does for the community. The board voted unanimously to elect Roxanne to the board.

Dwight continued with the rest of his report. He requested that the bathroom code be changed. The board agreed. Dwight proposed painting of the inside wall of the stadium for \$1080. The board denied this request due to budget constraints at this time. The issue of

personal restraint and avoiding emotional involvement in club issues when representing the club was addressed by Dwight. He then read Bob Gates letter of resignation to the board effective immediately. Dwight said the members need to “be responsible.” Robin added that the members need to act “unbiased.” If there is a problem on the court, call Reservations or Colleen to handle the matter. If the matter is escalated, the Ethics Committee will take over. Dwight would like to see larger recycling containers on the court and signage about what items are recyclable. Robin suggested a newsletter article explaining the proper items to be disposed of for recycling. Dwight referred the members to the new ADA regulations the City of San Diego will be making at BTC within the next few months. There is a budget of \$162,000. This is Federal money allocated specifically for ADA upgrades.

Treasurer’s Report: In absence of the treasurer, Colleen reported on the club financials. March was a very productive month with permits, interest income, membership and tournament income all exceeding budget and March 2007. Compared to January and February of 2008 when the club lost money, the club finished with a net income of \$420. Facility spending is still high as well as the office expense with the purchase of a new laptop and monitor prior to tournament season. Overall, March was a very productive month for the club.

Tennis Director’s Report: On May 4th, Tennisfest will be using all the courts at the club. Geoff is currently using the club’s new laptop to prepare the draw for the Spring Tournament. A card file is now set up in the Pro Shop for all racquet restringing. Flyers about Griffin tennis and instruction are now available outside the Pro Shop. Two people used Active.com to sign up for the Spring Tournament. Summer camp signup is available on line as well. The ball machine is working well.

Club Director’s Report: A sign has been posted on the BTC Recycler directing local residents to the city recycler. Protection One has separated accounts for Reservations, Pro Shop and the Tennis Café. The marker board has been installed. The letter from Paul O’Neil about hiring Dennis Anderson to clean the courts was opposed. Gil is hired to keep the courts clean at this time. A discussion about water conservation ensued. When the city permit expires on December 31, 2008, this issue will be addressed. Vandalism was reported on March 27 when someone broke in to a car in the parking lot and stole the GSP. CPR/AED class on April 23 will be attended by five staff members, Dwight, Geoff, Al and Ron. The club will pay for the class at \$40 per person. The city reported that BTC can’t deny a day pass to anyone who wants to buy one at the club. If there is someone teaching, restringing or selling racquets, who isn’t authorized by the club, this person needs to be caught in the act. The city is willing to send a Park Ranger if the club can pinpoint the time. In the meantime, an article will be written in the next issue of the newsletter about the members supporting the authorized vendors of the club. Paul Buskey Tournament was a complete success with increase in revenue of 25%. A new sponsorship format is being used this year to attract financial backing. A copy was placed in the member’s packet. Membership is back up to 1450.

Tennis Café: None

Committee Reports:

- A. **Facilities:** None
- B. **Constitution and By-laws** – none
- C. **Contract and Lease** – The Tennis Café contract will be good through December 31, 2008 when the city permit expires. The separation of the alarm system is the only change.
- D. **Employment and Personnel** – none
- E. **Newsletter Deadline** –April 18, 2008
- F. **Ethics** – None
- G. **Youth Program** – None
- H. **Activities** – None
- I. **Special Projects** – None
- J. **Web Site Updating** – Richard suggested getting club fax number on the website.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Dwight attended a Balboa Park Meeting on privatizing the park. The synopsis is that the park needs a large parking structure before any major business will be taking over. Presently, there are 280 million dollars in repairs needed.

Ruth Nutt thanked the board for allowing a third team at Balboa to compete in the Winter League. The team placed 6 out of 12 teams.

Adjournment: 8:24 p.m. Executive session to follow.