

## **Balboa Tennis Club Board of Directors Meeting –May 19, 2009**

**Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m.**

**Attendees:** Dwight Van Slyke, Richard Barndt, Robin Rodger, Linda Stadelli, Ruth Nutt, Spike Lowndes, Karen Houston, Colleen Clery Ferrell and Geoff Griffin. Melinda Murray, Roxanne Drees, Peter Conneely and Barbara Gregorio were absent. Richard presented a clarification to the April Minutes and explained the changes to Colleen. Robin made a motion to approve the absences and April Minutes with modifications. Spike seconded the motion and the board approved unanimously.

**Member Presentation:** None

**President's Comment's:** Dwight confirmed several committee positions: Ethics/Contract and Lease – Robin and Richard, Bylaws and Parliamentarian – Richard, Activities – Barbara, Personnel and Employment – Ruth.

Dwight presented the idea of reducing the newsletter from four issues to three. Robin expressed concern about getting all the necessary club information to the members. Colleen mentioned that the club e-mail database is nearly 600 and that she spends close to an hour each day replying to member requests via e-mail. The board decided to finish out the year with newsletters and then send the newsletter via e-mail beginning in 2010. Members will be encouraged to submit their e-mail addresses to receive current information in the next newsletter.

SDGE received paperwork concerning BTC from David Hall. Robin commented that the presentation from David Hall at last month's meeting exposed a problem with tennis court lighting. Richard actually went to the car dealership in LA where the induction lighting was installed and witnessed many problems. The board needs an example where this lighting on a tennis court has been successful. Geoff said he will contact Barnes Tennis Center to see if they have any experience with induction lighting. Dwight asked the board if we want to continue pursuing the SDG&E Induction Lighting Program. Richard made a motion to stop the program. Robin seconded the motion and the board voted unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Roxanne was unable to make the meeting so Colleen presented a financial analysis report for the month of April 2009. Overall, a very good month financially for the club. Permits, interest income and locker rents were all up; yet most impressive was membership which increased \$5500 over 2008. The only major expense in April was the purchase of a new hard drive for Colleen's computer. The bottom line is that the club had a net income of \$3,319 for the month of April when we lost \$6,638 in April of 2008. YTD the club is at a loss of \$401 when last year at this time we were under \$13,533.

**Tennis Director's Report:** Geoff is interested in upgrading the BTC website. He would like to see a traffic increase to the site. He suggested using the money we'll save by sending out the newsletter electronically to enhance our website. An Electronic Media Committee consisting of Ruth, Robin and Richard was formed. Geoff requested courts from the board earlier in the year for the children's program, yet he hasn't used them. Larry Belinsky has nominated the Balboa Tennis Club for a USTA award.

**Club Director's Report:** American Merchant offered the least expensive fees for credit and debit card services. The club will begin accepting cards on June 1, 2009. The ability to pay online is yet to come. The club profit from the 2009 Spring Tournament was \$634. This is slightly lower than 2008 due to fewer entries and higher costs. The new National Open tournament logo for the 2009 tournaments was well received by the board. Susan Lowrey Mendoza from the city has been informed about the potholes in our parking lot. Board members received a copy of the staff meeting notes from May 14. Colleen asked for board assistance on figuring out which league teams would be able to play in the fall and spring when courts are at a minimum. The top four teams, provided they meet the requirements of a full time captain and 75% of their players being full time members, would be eligible for a league team. The BTC permit with the City of San Diego is being issued in July 2009 with an annual fee of \$600.

**Tennis Café:** Al from the Tennis Café requested that the restroom doors be left open from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. because the noise from the doors closing bothers him in the Tennis Café. The board wants the doors to remain closed.

### **Committee Reports:**

- A. **Facilities:** The board decided to leave the windscreens as they are for the 2009 year unless a tear occurs, which would prompt replacement. No additional money will be spent.
- B. **Constitution and By-laws** – none
- C. **Contract and Lease** –none
- D. **Employment and Personnel** – none
- E. **Newsletter Deadline** – passed on May 19, 2009. Newsletter articles are due.
- F. **Ethics** – None
- G. **Youth Program** – None
- H. **Activities** – None
- I. **Special Projects** – None

J. **Web Site Updating** - Website photos have been updated.

**Unfinished Business:** Linda will purchase new pots for the club. She asked for a \$500 authorization. Richard made a motion to approve the money allocation, Robin seconded and the board voted unanimously. Gil has been instructed by Linda and Robin to add an additional day of watering to his weekly schedule. Linda said she and Robin are close to finding a table for the benches in front of the Reservation office.

**New Business:** Robin asked for a \$1000 to upgrade the women's locker room and the money was approved.

**Adjournment:** 8:36 p.m.