

Balboa Tennis Club Board of Directors Meeting –June 16, 2009

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Attendees: Dwight Van Slyke, Richard Barndt, Roxanne Drees, Robin Rodger, Linda Stadelli, Melinda Murray, Ruth Nutt, Peter Conneely, Spike Lowndes, Karen Houston, Colleen Clery Ferrell and Geoff Griffin. Barbara Gregorio was absent due to illness. The board voted unanimously to approve the May minutes and the absence of Barbara.

Member Presentation: None

President's Comment's: Dwight had received a letter of appreciation about Colleen's performance and asked Robin to read it to the board. Dwight mentioned that another club member named Beau, who originally wanted to bid on the lights before David Hall, has received approval from SDGE to qualify for their program. Beau's goals are similar in the respect that he wants to convert the existing court lights to more efficient lights. Robin said the club needs to find a tennis club presently using the new efficiency lighting which works. Karen said that she believed the board voted not to proceed with any new lighting. Richard and Robin agreed. They agreed to listen to a new proposal before any new commitment is made since our lights are unusual due to the shortage of existing light poles. Dwight will speak with Beau about coming to a board meeting and explaining his product prior to moving forward. At this time, no lighting commitment has been made by BTC.

Treasurer's Report: Roxanne reported on the month of May. Court rental was doubled and daily permits were up. Membership was up over 2008, yet slightly below budget. Interest rates were down as expected with the overall economy. YTD court rental, daily permits, and membership are all up over 2008. As for expenses, computer was up due to the purchase of a new computer for Colleen. Robin mentioned that the entire board needs to approve purchases over \$500, unless there's an emergency and then an e-mail vote needs to be taken. Once the e-mail to the board has been sent out, there needs to be over 50% agreement from the board members to proceed with the purchase. Roxanne reiterated that the large club purchases need to go through the proper channels. Richard said that Dwight has proven to be trustworthy, yet the policy is very clear. Spike made a motion to approve the purchase of the computer and Melinda seconded the motion. There wasn't a unanimous approval from the board, but the motion passed. Roxanne continued with the YTD expenses which were in line. Robin and Roxanne will meet in July to work on the provisions. The reserves need to be increased to account for the additional cost of resurfacing which will include water blasting the courts and projected increases which were not included in the budget.

Tennis Director's Report: Geoff would like to see nets between courts 1&2, 3&4 to stop the balls from rolling into the other courts. Dwight said the club already has the nets. Poles and hardware need to be purchased, in addition to paying for labor. Dwight will have the figures at the next meeting on how much this will cost. Geoff also requested a three foot fence or a curtain to go between courts 2 &3. This will separate the teaching courts from members who

are playing and keep the nerf balls for Le Petite Tennis in one area. Dwight will get some cost figures for the next meeting.

Club Director's Report: Colleen said she doesn't know how the club survived without the use of credit cards. Since June 1 when the club began accepting credit, close to 70% of the members are opting to use their cards for renewal. During the National Open, several players also used credit. Colleen believes membership and permit use will be increased due to the addition of credit cards. Board members read the memo from Susan Lowrey Mendoza concerning modifications to the restrooms by BTC. Colleen will reply back to the city with comments from the board concerning compliancy from BTC. The National Bar Association has requested tennis courts on the morning of August 6 from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Roxanne thought it would be good public relations. Robin is concerned about the number of courts being used for leagues and the addition of these courts for the NBA. Colleen will contact Leslie Waite to find out how many courts are being used for league on August 6. If only three, Colleen will proceed to book the group. The National Open was completed on the 14th and was a complete success, thanks to the help of many club volunteers and the professionalism of Radio Tennis. Financials will be out next month.

Tennis Café: None

Committee Reports:

- A. **Facilities**-None
- B. **Constitution and By-laws** – None
- C. **Contract and Lease** –No permit issued from the city yet.
- D. **Employment and Personnel** – None
- E. **Newsletter Deadline** – September 18, 2009. Colleen said the workers at bulk mail through the US Post Office are getting very particular about how the newsletters are sent. The next newsletter will be the last one sent to the members. Hard copies will be available at the Reservations Desk and in the BTC Clubhouse.
- F. **Ethics** – Colleen read a complaint about a member to the board and said that all parties involved had been notified with a mutual disagreement. The issue will be filed.
- G. **Youth Program** – None
- H. **Activities** – None
- I. **Special Projects** – Spike gave Peter \$70 to have a plaque made up in honor of Herb Bistrow, remainder to be paid when we determine how much we want to charge for the plaques. This plaque will serve as a sample for all the board members to see as the court sponsorship program begins in the upcoming months. Since the donations need to go through GSDCTC for a tax deduction, the club would like GSDCTC to have some type

of credit card option. Geoff will speak with Roz and Ben about this issue. Colleen will make a check up for Hal Snyder to get a sample sign. Roxanne made a motion and Karen seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously. Peter also had a picture in his camera phone of an area in San Diego where the utility boxes are painted with tennis racquets. Peter will get more information for the next meeting.

- J. **Web Site Updating** – Robin has scheduled a website meeting for June 26. The group she put together will research the following possibilities for the BTC Website: BTC Tournaments, paying for memberships, newsletter, purchasing Pro Shop items, bulletin board, soliciting votes from members, match finder, photo gallery and the cost involved in expanding the website.

Unfinished Business: Linda and Robin have found a suitable table to fit between the benches by Reservations. Colleen will contact the member who wants to purchase the bench and get a silver plaque ordered. The pots for the plants at the club are still being researched.

New Business: Geoff said if members go to www.tennismaps.com, they can select Balboa Tennis Club and add credibility to the site.

Adjournment: 8:35p.m.