

Balboa Tennis Club

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

August 19, 2014

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

Attendees: Dwight Van Slyke, Colleen Clery Ferrell, Janene Christopher, Mary Gunset, Pat Mason, Julia Gregory, Ruben Carriedo, Gregg Ward, Peter Conneely, C.T. Martin, and Geoff Griffin were present. Mark McDonough and Dan Hays were absent. The Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the July meeting and board absences.

Member/Guest Presentation: None

President's Comments: Dwight spoke about the recent visit from Cindy and William Brinker, daughter and grandson of tennis great Maureen Connolly. He spoke about her emotional ties to her mother and how Cindy wants Maureen to be well represented at all times. Dwight had the plaques on Maureen's photo and painting redone. Cindy has agreed to look through the archives and send another Maureen Connolly racquet that's in better shape (than the one we have) to be displayed in the clubhouse. A motion was made and approved to carry on the Maureen Connolly legacy for years to come regardless of whether funds from the Brinker family were forthcoming.

Treasurers Report: Colleen reported on her monthly meeting with Club CPA Jere Batten. The 2013 taxes were submitted with "new age" accounting using FSAS standards. The Club is no longer operating under the old accounting standards. BTC will be operating like 99% of the other non-profit organizations. Jere will advise us whether we are eligible to use the tax exempt status of a 501 C 3 organization even though we are organized as a 501 C 4. Finalization of this conclusion is to be determined. Jere wants to clean up chart of accounts before starting the 2015 budget process. She advised adding a column under the Club checking account to save a designated amount of money each month for court resurfacing and windscreens. Overall with Belinsky money taken out of the financials, Club has made \$36,294 profit YTD.

Club Director's Report: 1. Colleen recapped saga regarding Cardamom tenure as owner felt she took on too much responsibility and realized she couldn't service her own restaurant and the BTC Cafe. The Board agreed to offer Joanne Sherif half of the suggested price for sandwich table and stove which would be \$510. With the San Diego District Tournament coming up, Colleen took initiative to ask Becky Kuba, one of the final choices prior to the Cardamom selection, if she was interested in working the District Tournament and she accepted. No future commitments have been made to Becky. She has a temporary permit to operate the cafe during the tournament. Colleen recommended modeling the BTC Cafe after Barnes where there is a vendor for tournaments and on weekends, when there is business and money to be made. Peter suggested having Becky attend next board meeting on September 16 to speak with the Board if she is interested in continuing at BTC.

2. Colleen reported that she was deposed regarding the Nygaard vs. West case. 3. The City ADA project will begin September 2. Access to Reservation office will be limited. Reservation window will be moved to Geoff's office for the month of September. 4. A hair dryer for women's locker room was approved. 5. Janene will put up requested plaques on wall adjacent to television. 6. A good location for the historical BTC Clubhouse wooden sign is to be determined. Janene and Dwight will look for a better spot in front of the Clubhouse.

Daily Log Comments – A complaint was recorded in the log regarding Sean Powell and Scott McCloud's loud behavior while walking on to the tennis court disrupting play. One more formal complaint and there will be immediate suspension. Gregg has agreed to formulate an infraction list for the Club.

Tennis Director's Report – Geoff addressed the complaint against his 17 year old niece saying that whoever is teaching needs to know who the audience is and keep having fun with the kids, yet not go overboard and hurt feelings. In regards to teachers under the age of 18, the USPTA doesn't cover liability for teenagers. The Board requested that the liability issue as it pertains to both Griffin Tennis and the Board be researched further and reported back at next meeting. Teaching pros may utilize the BTC without paying membership, yet Geoff will encourage them to use Geoff's four teaching courts.

Committee Reports

A. **Facilities:** Dan was unable to make the meeting. Dwight mentioned that he has all eight containers from his complex ready to be filled with soil and plants.

B. **Constitution and By-laws:** None

C. **Contract and Lease:** None.

D. **Employment and Personnel:** Gregg reported that recommendations for updating employee contracts will be presented at the next Board Meeting.

E. **Newsletter Deadline:** November 2014

F. **Ethics:** None.

G. **Youth Program:** None

H. **Activities:** None.

I. **Special Projects:** None

J. **Web Site Updating:** None.

Unfinished Business:

Family membership – Ruben recommended patterning BTC’s Family Membership after East County Community Center. They charge regular rates and then deduct \$25 for each member under 18, living in the same house, to be included in the family membership. The Board agreed on the price and structure for the membership. The same discounts will be applied for renewal rate. Advertising in local papers wasn’t discussed.

New Business:

1. Dwight said he would contact Matt the painter for Belinsky Project regarding touch up in ladies locker room. 2. Colleen reported that the following Board members terms were up in 2014 – Mark, Janene, Ruben, Julia, Peter and Dwight. A discussion followed regarding Board term renewals. Colleen and Geoff were asked to leave the room as the issue of signatures for Board renewal and possible Bylaws amendment was discussed in Executive Session. 3. Board decided to present miniature Belinsky Clubhouse sign to Larry at District Hall of Fame event. Colleen will take care of details. 4. The Board approved resurfacing of courts 13 and 14. Julia requested a schedule of all courts resurfaced and those in line for next project. 5. The issue of dogs on the court has been raised by some members. Board asked Colleen to add a note to member update reminding members that dogs must be kept on leashes at all times and that the Board is looking into issue of dogs on the tennis court during play. 6. Peter is researching new member who has a history of problems with various members and is supposedly in legal trouble. No action to be taken at this time.

Adjournment: 8:40 p.m.