

Sun City Anthem Tennis Club Meeting

July 7, 2010

Minutes

Roll Call: The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by President Pat Carrell. Those present: Pat Carrell, president; Bob Murello, vice president; Jan Tenner, treasurer; Gail Weiss, social chair; Josie Baker, tournaments/mixers chair; and additional members of the ad hoc bylaws committee: Doug Anderson, Joanne Booher, Bob Buckmaster. Two other club members were also present, as well as guest Bob Randolph.

Minutes: The minutes of June 2, 2010 were approved as distributed. In the absence of Secretary Alyne Strusser, Bob Murello again volunteered to record the minutes of this meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Jan Tenner presented the Treasurer's Report for the month of June. Club balance at the beginning of June was \$2,683.97; income totaled \$20 (2 dues); expenditures totaled \$393.00, leaving a balance of \$2,310.97 at the beginning of July.

President's Report:

New tennis pro: Pat reported that Tom Soong desires to leave his position as community tennis pro sooner rather than at the expiration of his contract in Feb 2011. Several candidates have submitted their names as potential replacements, including Bob Randolph. Pat introduced Bob who told a bit about his background and took questions from those present. Bob has also agreed to teach a demo clinic which will be scheduled soon. At the end of the meeting the board will discuss procedures for moving forward with a recommendation on one of the candidates as the new tennis pro.

Meeting with Paddle Tennis & Pickle Ball Club Presidents: Pat reported on the June 16 meeting, at which the Pickle Ball president presented monitor observational data re usage of the Liberty Center courts. Lifestyles will wait until after July 12 to obtain 3 full months of card scan data on the court usage.

Inclusion of Paddle Tennis & Pickle Ball members in December event: The Paddle Tennis president has requested that their club members be included in our December event. In consultation with Gail, a budget will be presented later in the meeting which gives both the paddle tennis and pickle ball members pricing consideration for our holiday event.

Status of "Needs List" for Liberty Center courts: Pat reviewed with the board the status of each item in the amenities list for the LC courts. Many of the items are in the 2011 capital budget, which probably means they won't happen quickly. The Association's bulletin board has arrived and has been installed at the courts. Pat has ordered a matching bulletin board for the club, which facilities management will install for us right next to the Association's.

Sub-list: Pat reported that the sub-list for July 1 – Sept 30 had been posted on the club bulletin board and website, as well as distributed electronically in Word and PDF formats to club members. Those who missed the June 25 deadline to sign up but still wish to join the list have been informed that because updating the list involves several individuals and steps, it will not be possible to update it day by day. An e-mail will be distributed to the membership in Sept soliciting those who wish to sign up for the fourth quarter.

Channel 99: Pat reported that Mary Ann Van Liere is helping to arrange for channel 99 to interview the club president as a way of promoting the club and generating interest among those who are not already club members.

Vice President's Report:

Unisex Round Robin Wednesdays: Bob reported that in the period from June 1 thru July 7, a total of only 10 people had shown up for play on Wednesday mornings (2 foursomes, 2 single players).

Old Business:

December Holiday Event: Gail presented a budget for the Dec 5 holiday event at Buckman's, in which tennis club members would pay \$30, paddle & pickle club members would pay \$35, other guests would pay \$40. Buckman's is charging the club \$35 (inclusive of tax and gratuities) for a 3-course plated dinner, with one drink ticket included. Other expenses would include the speaker honorarium (\$300), plus the cost of the speaker's & a companion's dinner, décor and miscellaneous. Total club subsidy for the event would be approximately \$850. Gail may wish to revisit this budget to include passed hors d'oeuvres, and adjusting the cost to attendees or an increase in the club subsidy. No action was taken on the event budget at this meeting.

On this same topic, Pat reported that she had sent solicitations for raffle door prizes (either gift certificates or merchandise) to several corporate entities (Sports Authority, Sport Chalet, Big 5, Dick's Sporting Goods). She will solicit local tennis shops closer to the time of the event. It was recommended that the new tennis pro be asked to donate a raffle prize.

Annual Meeting/Election of Officers/Bylaws Amendments November 15: Gail had no further report on this event at this time.

Ad hoc Bylaws Committee: On behalf of the committee, Doug Anderson presented each of the changes being proposed by the committee (the Board having previously received the draft document from the committee). Several items were commented on by both board members and club members in attendance. The committee will reconsider the comments received and will deliver a final draft for vote by the Board at the August meeting. (N.B. The Lifestyles Committee

insists on reviewing the proposed new bylaws before they are submitted to the club membership for vote in November, to ensure they are in compliance with Association policies.)

Ball machine demo day: In Roman's absence, Bob Murello reported that approximately 7 people attended the demo day in mid June. Those attending left with a better understanding of how to use the machine. Roman did a good job, with a little help from friends.

New Business/Committee Reports:

Tournaments/Mixers/League Play: Gail reported that the mini ladder she ran in June was a success and she hopes we can do something similar in fall. Josie proposed the following tentative dates for fall mixers: Sept 25, Oct 31; and Nov 13-14 for a club championship event.

Equipment: No report.

Membership: Pat presented Arlene's e-mailed report. With the removal of one club member who was determined not to be a SCA resident, current membership stands at 270.

Social: Gail had no additional report beyond that in Old Business above.

Publicity/Communications: Pat congratulated Alyne (in her absence) on the July Spirit article which featured 3 club photos.

Procedures for recommending a new tennis pro: The board discussed the importance of having the new tennis pro have the ability to teach both strokes and strategy (e.g., court positioning, movement, especially in doubles play); have interest in helping the Tennis Club promote club leagues and mixers as well as promote tennis for the entire SCA community; and provide information about their proposed fee structure. A demo clinic with the first candidate, Bob Randolph, will be scheduled asap according to Bob's availability.

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Murello, Acting Secretary