

Minutes of January 8, 2007 Brunswick County Tennis Association Board Of Directors Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7 PM. Present were Randy Wrigley, Dag Egede-Nissen, Karen Holbrook, Sarah Benjamin, Cathie Rod, Raymond Rod, Michaela Richardson, Donna Higgons, and Mike Heath.

By unanimous vote, the minutes of the November 17, 2006 meeting were approved.

Since Ron Watts was absent, Mike Heath gave the treasurers report, which covered the period 11/13/06 thru 12/31/06. We had \$200 of income (memberships), with expenses of \$2058 (annual meeting). Checking account balance is \$3664, and CD value is \$6154. The report was approved.

Sarah Benjamin reported that we currently have 222 members since January 2006. However, on reviewing the database list, she thinks that there are many people included that haven't paid in well over a year. She and a few other folks will meet after the meeting to review some ideas that she has for "cleaning" up the membership list. She is targeting late February for the membership directory, so that Team Tennis captains can be the major distributors of the directory to members. She has asked Michaela to send out a Tennis Flash about folks renewing their membership and soliciting help for directory advertising.

Ray Rod reported that most of the captains from last season are returning; 2 of the men's captains need to be replaced, and 2 of the women's captains need a replacement. A motion was made and carried to have a captain's lunch in mid-February. A new scorekeeper is needed for this season; a prospect in St James was mentioned, and Ray will ask that person first.

Cathie Rod reported that the meeting with the women's captains was held earlier today. There was general agreement to have a regular and advanced league. Cathie discussed some of the details of a proposal that resulted from the meeting. After some revision, the proposal will be sent to the captains for review. Cathie will report on status at our next meeting.

There was also a general discussion of having awards for each season (Spring and Fall). It was agreed that the Spring season awards should continue to be distributed at the end-of-season round robin.

Karen Holbrook stated that the Youth Tennis program would be at the same locations as last year, starting on 6/12 and running thru 7/24. Those dates are Tuesdays, and the time period has been moved up a bit (9AM – 10:30 AM) to miss some of the heat. She may be able to arrange a free 6-hour USTA workshop for teaching tennis to youngsters on May

23 or 24; she should know more next month. Karen also reported that the USTA/ elementary school teachers disconnect mentioned in previous meetings is still not completely resolved.

Donna Higgons said that in her absence for the next few months (after March 1), Jan Denney has volunteered to take over the Newsletter and Tennis Flash function; Donna will be able to do the February newsletter.

In Bill Davis's absence, Mike Heath relayed a message from Bill that the schedule for the county recreation planning meetings has not been set; when it is, we should plan on attending to make sure tennis is adequately represented.

Michaela mentioned that information about November's annual meeting would be sent to the local papers.

The meeting was adjourned at 8 PM. The next meeting is at 7 PM on Monday February 12 at the BEMC building on Rt 17.

Respectfully submitted, Randy Wrigley

Action Items:

Mike Heath - follow up with USTA for ideas on how to hold a "Back To Tennis" night; status -> from info Mike received, it appears to be a 4 week program, and he will be asking for more details

Bill Davis - contact Johnnie Simpson to see who to contact about usage of the Waterford courts – no status

Michaela Richardson and Diana Wells – get info pertaining to possibility of holding next annual meeting at local restaurant; status -> nothing as yet

Cathie Rod – revision of women's leagues

Karen Holbrook – USTA teaching tennis workshop