

Minutes of August 9, 2010 Brunswick County Tennis Association Board Of Directors Meeting

President Linda Fluegel called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Other board members present were Randy Wrigley, Carol Cini, Karen MacKinnon, Faye Campbell, Karen Holbrook, Pat Forrest and Jan Denney. Board members Sut Ahuja, Ron Madden, Kathy Burnham, Sarah Benjamin, Phil Edwards, Khrystye Haselden, and Mike Heath were not present. The proposed meeting agenda was approved. **(Note that any attachments or handouts mentioned herein are in the Secretary's "Minutes" binder.)**

Secretary – Randy Wrigley stated that the final version of the June 14th minutes was sent out July 2. There were no further corrections, and those minutes were unanimously approved.

Treasurer – Carol Cini presented the financial report. He stated we are in good financial "shape", with \$8582 in the checking account and \$6711 in a CD. For June and July, income (\$752) exceeded expenses (\$391). A motion was made and carried unanimously to accept the financial report.

Grant Writer – Karen Holbrook reported that the USTA grant that we received was for expanding USTA membership locally. She suggested one action could be to have a presence (table with brochures) at the Oyster Festival Tournament (10/1 thru 10/3). She said she would contact Ron Watts to discuss that possibility. She also said that she would contact Amy Franklin of NCTA to get other ideas for expanding USTA membership.

Karen also mentioned that the Cedar Grove Middle School is interested in developing a local middle-school level tennis program. It was decided this was an area for Phil Edwards, Youth Program Chair, to pursue.

Membership – Sarah Benjamin was not present, but Linda read her report. We currently have 285 members, below last year's level at this time. Mike Richardson has agreed to handle membership directory production, and Debbie Sharoun has volunteered to take over the membership records and Active Network relationship. Sarah will be working with Debbie in the near future on that transition.

Sarah had also reported that 400 used tennis balls had been delivered to several of the local schools. A question had come up about replacing the wooden used ball container at St James, but since that container had not been provided by BCTA, the replacement is St James's responsibility.

Youth Tennis— Phil Edwards was not available for a report.

Team Tennis/Ladders –Faye Campbell reported that the Women's Captains Meeting will be held 8/18 at Winding River. She also mentioned that the Regular League will be losing 2 teams, and the Advanced League will be losing 1 team. It was also reported that 2 Men's teams may be dropping out. There was discussion about the reasons for teams dropping out; one was the disparity between player rating levels, and another was the change from the original intent of

“friendly” play to a more competitive brand of play. There was also discussion of possibly dropping the Fall season (starting next year) because of the many USTA leagues active during the same time period – this will be an agenda item during the November Annual Meeting.

Web Site and Parks & Recreation – No reports.

Facilities and Scheduling – Karen MacKinnon reported that she cannot develop schedules without knowing how many teams are going to play; she has this info for the Women’s Leagues, so those schedules will be available, but has not gotten that info for the Men’s Leagues, so no scheduling has been done for them as yet.

Publicity – Kathy Burnham was not present, but Linda read her report that mentioned that the Summer Youth Program at Shallotte went well, and that pictures should be appearing in the local papers soon.

Newsletter – Jan Denney stated that the next newsletter will come out very soon. She also reported that the revised Strategic Plan and Bylaws have been reviewed, and will be given to a couple of folks who haven’t seen them before for review, after which the revised versions will be brought to the next BOD meeting for review, with the expectation that this will all be done before the annual meeting in November.

Old Business – On the topic of recycling tennis balls, there was discussion of the need for more used ball recycling receptacles. Some of the current ones are being used for trash/garbage. Randy suggested reusing the one at Lockwood Folly; he will contact the local players.

New Business – There was no new business.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 PM. The next BOD meeting is at 7 PM on Monday, September 13, 2010 at the BEMC building on Rt 17.

Respectfully submitted, Randy Wrigley