

Minutes of September 10, 2007 Brunswick County Tennis Association Board Of Directors Meeting

Karen Holbrook, substituting for Mike Heath, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Present were Karen Holbrook, Randy Wrigley, Sarah Benjamin, June Froehlich, Michaela Richardson, Raymond Rod, Cathie Rod, Donna Higgons, and Diana Wells.

Secretary - Randy Wrigley stated that the minutes had previously been distributed via email. He asked for additional corrections, and there were none. By unanimous vote, the minutes of the August 13, 2007 meeting were approved.

Treasurer – In Ron Watts' absence, Karen reviewed the Treasurer's report. We had \$80 of income from memberships, with expenses of \$1495 (mostly Youth Tennis and Directors Insurance). Checking account balance is \$2395, and the CD value is \$6332. Additional notes indicated that the directors' liability coverage has been paid for 6 months, and that the youth scholarships went to 2 youngsters at W.B.H.S. The treasurer's report was approved by unanimous vote.

Nominating Committee – June Froehlich gave the report of the work that she and Jan Denney had done. After they had made many phone calls and consultations, the slate of candidates and committee chairs to be presented at the annual meeting in November is as follows:

President – Michaela Richardson; Vice President – Karen Holbrook; Secretary – Randy Wrigley; Treasurer – Kay Brannon; Youth Tennis – Karen Holbrook; Special Events – Linda Fluegel; Publicity – Kathy Burnham; Team Tennis – Karen MacKinnon for the women, no one (as yet) for the men; Membership – Sarah Benjamin; Courts – Dag Egede-Nissen; Lead Area Representative – Sut Ahuja; Newsletter – Jan Denney; Advisors – June Froehlich and Mike Heath

Membership – Sarah Benjamin reported that we currently have about 318 members. She will send out email with the notes of the meeting that was held to review the membership and directory processes. That should allow us to have digested the material and prepare for a discussion at the October meeting.

Team Tennis – Raymond Rod mentioned that 27 people attended the Captain's Lunch, and he distributed copies of the Fall 2007 "Captains Payment Record". All 23 teams are fully paid, and 212 players are involved this season. The number of teams has increased over the last 4 seasons, and this season, there are 27 players in the Women's Friendly league. These are good signs that interest in team play continues to grow.

Youth Tennis - Karen Holbrook suggested that we might want to plan for a "Youth Tennis Carnival" at the newly resurfaced Northwest Park courts in Leland.

Newsletter – Donna Higgons, having recently returned from her journeys, didn't have anything specific to report. However, we got on a side discussion of directories for new members, and a motion was made and carried to provide directories (perhaps newly printed) for new members that have joined since the distribution of directories in March. The directories will come from those not distributed by the various representatives, and from 50 new copies that will be printed. Of course, those copies will not have the info about the new members. To cover that, email will be sent to all members asking them, if interested, to print out a supplemental file that will be provided, either with the email or from the BCTA website.

Special Events – Kathy Burnham could not attend the meeting, but reported (via Randy Wrigley) that the biweekly summer mixed doubles activity went very well this year, with many satisfied “customers”!

Publicity – Michaela Richardson indicated that the local papers have provided good support in running our articles.

Other Business – Diana Wells led the discussion about holding the annual meeting at Carolina National. It was decided that the meeting would be held there, on Thursday, November 15, from 5:30 to 7:30, with hors d'oeuvres served from 5:30 to 6:30. Information about the meeting will be sent out via the Tennis Flash mechanism, with RSVPs due by 11/1. We expect the cost to be between \$10 and \$12 a head, funded by BCTA. Diana will ask John Heilman if he can do some meeting photography, especially of the BCTA Team Tennis winners. **NOTE:** We will hold our regular November board meeting, as scheduled, on Monday November 12 at 7PM.

Diana reviewed her suggestion of having 4 or 5 regional representatives (different from the 10 current area representatives) that attend the monthly board meetings and act as information conduits for the various discussion points. This will be discussed further at future meetings.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM. The next meeting is at 7 PM on Monday October 8 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 -> ON HOLD

Michaela Richardson and Diana Wells – get info pertaining to possibility of holding next annual meeting at local restaurant; see mention in “**Other Business**” section; status -> CARRIED OVER

Ron Watts – obtain additional director/volunteer liability coverage; see mention in “**Treasurer**” section; status -> CLOSED

Mike Heath – develop budgeting process; status -> CARRIED OVER

Mike Heath – 4 or 5 regional representatives to attend BOD meetings; status -> CARRIED OVER

Mike Heath – ask Bill Davis about use of high school courts for Team Tennis; status -> CARRIED OVER

Karen Holbrook – plan luncheon for summer youth tennis volunteers; status -> CARRIED OVER

Sarah Benjamin – review results from membership/directory revamp meeting; status -> CARRIED OVER