LCTA Board Meeting Minutes

September 4, 2024

Members Present: Steve Meloy, Katelyn Schaub, Jeff Martin, Chuck Magraw, Tom Strizich

- Public Comment
 - o Charles Aagness
 - Submitted a proposal for drop-in tennis on Sunday mornings to start this fall.
 - The proposed time slot is 7:30-10:30 a.m. on courts 1 and 2. Court 3 would be available for normal reservations.
 - It would be open to all members at no cost for the court block or court fees.
- Approve minutes of August 7, 2024 meeting
 - Motion made to approve minutes passed unanimously
- Pro Report
 - Fall programs started this week and have good attendance.
 - Jack Reddy tournament was successful and had a good turnout (over 80 players)
 - Appreciates the willingness from the board to provide the extra court on Thursday nights for the juniors.
 - Last meeting about Beeby Tennis Fest tomorrow night.
- Club Manager Report
 - Overall was a quiet month in membership. There were no new memberships, one cancelled, and one on hold. 203 active memberships, 305 members
 - The one who cancelled will be looking to sell their membership. Meg has a growing list of those looking to sell.
 - Keeping up on expired cards is going well but needs to talk to Club Automation about a few debit cards that aren't working.
 - Had a question about whether or not we should we consider a policy or bylaw change related to the sale of equity memberships. It would have to be something to bring to the members during the annual meeting.
 - Need to think about how we'd grandfather in existing memberships.
 - Jeff will draft an amendment to the bylaws for review during the next meeting.
 - We may also look into fees that people are paying (e.g. court fees, monthly fees, guest fees, etc.) and see if they should be increased. This will be added to an upcoming meeting to discuss further.
 - Member Survey
 - Working to have this sent out over the next few months.
 - Vending Machine
 - Existing machine has been taken out.
 - Meg will look into other options including Golden West and Anthony's Sales.
 Board is willing to have another if someone else is managing it.
 - High School Scholarships
 - Time to reach out to coaches about these. Will try to have for October or November for the board review.
- Treasurer's Report

- Currently in a very good cash position. July and August had higher expenses due to insurance payments.
- Started the Scholarship account
 - There's currently \$250 in the account from the board's pledge.
 - Additional money should be coming in over the next few months from other donations.
- Called Ascent Bank about a CD
 - The current offer is as follows:
 - 7 months at 4.18% with minimum of \$1,000 purchase
 - Would be guaranteed through the end of the week
 - Board is in agreement with pursuing because of the money we currently have rather than having it just sit in the current account.
 - Jeff made a motion to add an agenda item to discuss the purchase of a CD during this meeting. Passed unanimously.
- Sunday morning "drop in tennis" (Charles Aagness)
 - Initial thoughts from the board include:
 - Potentially looking at a different or abbreviated time slot that's less busy because it's a popular day and time range.
 - Could try from 7:30 to 9 for a couple months to gauge interest and participation before extending the time further.
 - Would need someone to monitor attendance.
 - Motion was made to start drop-in tennis on a trial basis starting the first Sunday in October from 7:30-9am. Charles Aagness will be responsible for monitoring Sunday sign-ups. Court block and fees will be at no charge. Court 3 will remain open for reservations. Sign-ups will be limited to members only. Passed unanimously.
- LCTA/Beeby tennis fest update
 - Update provided by Stephi via email:
 - The Sign-Up genius has been set up and people can start signing up. We have had one sign up so far.
 - Flyers and posters have been made and should be being distributed
 - We have had sent out an email to the club and posted on social media. We will be doing more of that soon
 - I have secured radio time for advertising and will be going into the recording for the ads soon
 - We have had several sponsors. I will know more on totals after out meeting this week.
 - We are working on t-shirts
 - we are working on raffle baskets
 - We should have all the clinics squared away plus the help Kyle needs
 - I am probably missing something but so far this is what we have
 - Oh!!! I spoke to Leanne Tenesch, MC's daughter, and she is onboard to help with the scholarships. If there is anything we can donate or help out with her program in Phillispburg she would gladly welcome any donations.
- Furniture investment update (Tom)

- No update to report. Will have more to discuss next month.
- Value of building for insurance purposes update (Jeff)
 - There are concerns about being underinsured. There are also discrepancies between the valuation we received from the Department of Revenue and CoreLogic.
 - If we increase the insurance to the \$1.1 million value, we'd have to pay around \$2,000.
 - Jeff will see what it would cost to get an appraisal of the property before we move forward with anything else.
- Court sweeper update
 - The battery was replaced in the broken one earlier today.
- Reddy tournament/East Helena tennis fund raiser
 - Kyle provided an update on the tournament above.
 - There are questions about where the money from this tournament goes. Will discuss in the meeting next month.
- Progress on improving lighting (Brian)
 - Update provided from Brian via email:
 - Matt with Ascension Electric said that he had submitted some documentation to Sports Interiors for a recommendation on the best way to approach our request. Given how long this has been taking with Ascension Electric, it may also be good to reach out to additional commercial electrical contractors for bids.
 - Steve will follow up with Brian on next steps to move this forward.
- Patio Southwest side of building
 - Will be discussed again at a later meeting.
- Board Meetings
 - Clarifying that meetings will be held on the second Wednesday of the month.
- CD Discussion
 - Motion made to purchase a certificate of deposit (CD) from Ascent bank for the amount of \$10,000 at a rate of 4.18% for 7 months. The motion passed unanimously.

Next Meeting October 9, 2024 6:00 PM LCTA