

9/18/17 - Tennis Committee Meeting

Attendees: Jeff Kamys, Chris Horne, Larry Levine, Janet Bosnich, Mark Plaskon, Kent Castle, Jeff Birkenseer, Jennifer Holmes

New TC member:

Beth Huber is moving, leaving a vacancy for a 3.5 TC member. Terrye Light and Corliss Saland made themselves available. Jeff Birkenseer made a motion to vote, and Corliss won the majority. We nominate Corliss Saland to the TC.

Thank you to Beth for the time she has volunteered to the TC.

Manager Report:

- The small plastic cups on the court are being replaced by hard plastic cups that will be made available to all members and guests. This will reduce cost of cups and help the environment. -
- Ceramic coffee cups will replace paper cups.
- He is thinking about removing water from the courts in the future and building hydration stations around the club, saving labor costs daily.
- NCA Championships will be held at MTC November 14-15.

2 Year Captain Rule:

The Board passed rescinding the rule.

Team Formation:

- How to get in front of this with so many seasons.
- Jennifer suggested assigning liaisons early in the process.
- Jeff Birkenseer presented some ideas:
 - Have the TC set the # of expected teams, based on previous years. This would help alleviate the need to resign up once another team is added.
 - The captains' philosophy statements need to be acknowledged when signing up
- We will ask Aric Clark to add a button on the sign up page
- Jeff B will meet with Chris and go over the USTA calendar, so it will not infringe upon social activities at MTC, and we can get sign ups initiated in a timely manner for the teams.
- Jeff B requested a "USTA" representative attend the Social Committee meetings.

Guest Fee:

- Mark Plaskon expressed frustration with the guest fee and guest policy. He mentioned that there are far less 4.5 players, especially ones that play singles.
- a clarification of the fee was made. Mark thought the guest fee was \$10, but it is actually \$5 during the week and \$10 on the weekends.
- an idea of having 2 complimentary guest passes per month, Mark asked if 3.0s and 4.5s should receive 3, as there are fewer at MTC.

Jeff Birkenseer explained (as a member of the Membership Committee) that we have guest fees for everyone, as we are almost at capacity and we have a beautiful facility. An individual can come 18 times per year. Cash incentives are also given to members who bring in new members.

Kamys and Plaskon idea:

- Marin County tennis ladder.

It would be a singles ladder.
the 4.5 level for men and women.

Possibly for all levels, but would start at

Matches could be played (like Play Tennis Marin), but parameters would be
Set on when.

-Mark will investigate this idea.

Next Meeting set for 10-9-17