

**Burnaby Tennis Club
Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, January 19, 2011**

Present

Larry Melnyk - President	Louie Bortolazzo - Men's League
Maria Del Negro - Secretary	Nelson Lu - Treasurer
Graham Youde - Operations	Rosemary Riley - Junior Development
David Pel - Director at Large	Susan Youde - Social Director
Hazel Padula - Ladies' League	

Glenn Richards - Head Tennis Pro
Eng Choo – Member Guest

Absent

Geoff Lakeman - Vice-President
Evelina Zanotto - Membership
Rae Smith - Office Manager

Larry Melnyk. thanked Rae Smith and Graham Youde for all their help with regards to the bubble coming down due to the heavy snow/rain in the early morning hours of Wednesday, January 12, 2011. Without their help we would not have been able to ensure the bubble coming back and being operational as quickly as Friday, January 14, 2011.

Larry M. had a call from Erin Moore, a consultant on behalf of Vancouver Parks and Recreation looking for information on existing tennis facilities in the GVRD as the City of Vancouver is considering a tennis facility and were given Burnaby as a good example to get feedback from.

Approval of the draft agenda. Moved by David Pel. Seconded by Hazel Padula. **CARRIED**

Larry M. briefly reviewed the December meeting minutes. Larry M. asked the Board to adopt the minutes of the December 9, 2010 Board Meeting. Moved by Hazel P. and Seconded by Louie B.. **CARRIED**

Approval of the draft AGM Agenda for February 23, 2011 at 7pm. Larry M. presented the board with the draft agenda and it was reviewed and approved at the end of the meeting and will be sent out to the membership immediately for their review.

Booking Issues: Eng Choo was invited by Nelson Lu to report his findings with regards to the issues around booking abuses, the enforcement of same and suggestions for changes to the booking rules to avoid these abuses that make it unfair to all members.

The board felt it was an important topic that needed more discussion before making any decisions and therefore it would be deferred until the next meeting scheduled in March.

HEAD PRO'S REPORT

Glenn 's report is attached.

Additional areas of interest in the report are Junior Development; Ladies' Night update.

With regard to the Ladies' Night it was suggested that with Glenn being away from February 16 to March 17 that we would defer further discussion until his return.

Head Pro's Contract Committee report (Louie B., Graham Y. and Larry M.) was to be presented but due to time constraints this item was deferred to the next board meeting.

Larry M. also noted that Glenn R. would be representing Canada in the ITF Senior World Team Championships in New Zealand in the 45 Men's Singles and Doubles categories. Good Luck Glenn!

Office Manager's Report

Rae's report is attached.

Membership is closed and promotion to waive initiation fees is over.

Geoff Lakeman is taking care of pass cards re non-returning members.

Operations:

Graham Y. reported on the bubble down and the items required to be done along with the electrical work that was required to make it operational.

- Heating the bubble all night is not financially viable at this time.
- A pressure sensor would not have helped in this instance, but it is being looked at for other bubble down type issues that could occur and subsequently incur repair costs.
- Emergency lights are being reviewed and will be operational shortly to ensure the safety of our members during a power outage.

It has been brought to our attention that net heights, net belts and clips are in need of repair but that the City of Burnaby is responsible to do this at the beginning of each season. In the meantime we will try to repair as best we can and have staff check net heights on a regular basis and report back if they need to be adjusted.

Court cleaning is being done more often to take care of the ball fluff and other debris on the courts that seems to have increased.

SOCIALS

Susan Y. reported on the Chinese New Year Party planned for Friday, January 28 with tennis from 5 to 8 and a Chinese dinner following.

Hazel P. reported that there would be a Day social on Wednesday, March 23 from 11 to 1 with both men and ladies' invited. Details to be posted on our website.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

- Tennis Canada has requested one court (2 hr block) per week for 8 weeks (March/April) on behalf of BC Wheelchair Sports. We would like to accommodate them but know how court time availability is at a premium. Larry will talk with Rae to see if there is any available time.
- Hazel P. had more to report on a defibrillator for the Burnaby Tennis Club but will be doing some more research before a decision is made.
- There are 2 to 3 parallel parking spots on Sprott at the corner of Kensington that have been deemed to be a safety issue as they impede visibility both to vehicles and

pedestrians/members walking across the street to the parking areas or down Sprott to their parked vehicles. Maria Del Negro has been in touch with the City of Burnaby and the board agreed that those parking spots should be removed. The City of Burnaby will be putting up signs within the next few weeks to indicate that parking is not allowed west of the walkway to the corner. Please keep an eye out for them. Also please ensure you do not park in the handicapped parking. We have also asked the City to have the yellow lines repainted as they are fading and not easily visible.

- A petition was sent into the Board by Mickey Yada concerning the ball machine but due to time constraints, no decision was made. This item will be on the agenda of the next meeting. In the mean time, please forward an estimated cost of the move including parts, labour and new nets (if needed) to Larry M. or Graham Y. Also, please keep in mind the following: if the ball machine goes to Court 1, the teaching court must go to Court 2. This is so the ball machine can be used on Courts 1 and 2 as it is presently being used on Courts 5 and 6. This move would make Court 3 and 25% of Court 4 the dedicated "pay and play" courts. Court 2 would then become the coaching court and the 24 hr. court. Court 1 would become a club member's court. So please be aware that club members would spend a lot more time playing on Court 1 because Court 3 and at least 25% of Court 4 would no longer be available to them if this were to be adopted.

LADIES' LEAGUE:

A request has been made by a new Div 1 Night Ladies' League Team to schedule 6 to 8 on Thursday's from April to June. It was noted that until the bubble comes down the center courts are not under the Burnaby Tennis Club and a special request will have to be made to the City of Burnaby for the use of those courts for April. There is also a conflict with mixed night for the months of May and June although there are probably only 2 or 3 nights that would be required. Hazel said she would make the call to the City of Burnaby and also talk to Rae about a solution for court time for this team. Burnaby used to have some of the best Men's and Ladies' League teams in the lower mainland and now we hardly have any. It would be nice to bring our team numbers back up as it is a positive way to promote the club.

FINANCIALS:

David P. and Nelson L. reported on the 2011 Budget. Louie B. moved that we approve to present to the AGM and seconded by Rosemary Riley. **CARRIED.**

The meeting was adjourned at 9.30pm.

Next Board Meeting is scheduled for March 15, 2011.

REMINDER to please attend the Burnaby Tennis Club Annual General Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 23, 2011 at 7pm at the clubhouse.