

NOTES

WESTLAKE TENNIS CLUB

MARCH 30, 2022

In attendance: Monica Strauss, Helene Kleinwaks, Steve Friedland, Linda Lafer, Kevin McCann, Marcia Weinberg

Absent: Michael Goldheimer, Kathleen Windram

Also in attendance: Mary McCann

This is our first Executive Meeting prior to start of the 2022 Season.

Committee Reports:

Monica Strauss: Membership:

At this early date, we currently have applications from 38 Women, 20 Men, plus 1 new member.

Financial: Starting check book balance: \$2,384. Our current balance is now \$4,124.

Linda Lafer: An article will appear in the April issue of the journal; Tennis applications are currently in the revolving turntable in the Lobby of the Clubhouse and appears on the TV screen there as well.

Steve Friedland :

Autism

The Autism Fundraiser is scheduled for Saturday, July 30. The Breakfast will be from 9-12 with a \$5.00 admission fee; wine and cheese will be from 5-6 in the Lobby and Buffet dinner will be from 6-10 p.m. in the Ballroom. Entertainment has been arranged. The Tennis Club will incur a \$20.00 fee for the application for a raffle license.

Pickleball

Requests for proposal (RFP) were sent out (6). 2 responded; 1 feasible. Kris Kourt quoted \$95K for a stand alone PB court near bocce; ShoreTop quoted \$70K (not interested in redoing tennis courts); Shaunassy has not submitted a quote. Part of the reason may be because of the cost of asphalt.

Tennis

At the Opening Meeting, we will encourage players to use sign up sheets (to be placed on the Bulletin Board) . They should use these sheets if they have not signed up thru ResConn.

The Tennis Board is willing to postpone the refurbishing of the tennis courts to ensure that the Pickleball Club (consisting of 55 members) gets their own court separate from tennis.

Kevin:

The Rating Game procedure will be the same for Men and Women. Those players wishing to have a rating game will submit their request via email to the Head Scheduler (Mary McCann for the Women and Kevin McCann/Bob Curia). The Head Scheduler will contact the schedulers to arrange a rating game.

The Men currently have 6 players who will serve as schedulers.

Marcia:

It was agreed upon that all players, men and women, will commence play at 8 a.m. for 1 ½ hr segments. Evening play will be 5:30 to 7; and 7 to 8:30.

In accordance with our By-laws, a Ranking Committee must be formed. At the present time, I am the only remaining Board member on this committee and Elliot Yezer is the only remaining member from the membership. The committee should consist of 5 members (3 board members, 2 from the general membership). At our General meeting we will ask for a volunteer.

May 19th at 7 p.m. is Club Nite in the Ballroom. The Board has agreed we should have full representation.

Our General Opening Meeting is scheduled for May 2, 6 p.m. in the Ballroom. Pizza and soda will be served. Sign up sheets will be at the Bulletin Board and an email will go out to the General Membership asking that they contact Helene as to whether or not they will be attending.

Elliot Yezer contacted the Board and would be willing, together with Mike Goldheimer, to evaluate new members, both men and women. It was decided that they could evaluate the new men players. The evaluation of the new women players will be done by other women players as it always has been.

Preliminary dates and events were decided upon:

Round Robins with breakfast starting at 9 am:

May 21, Saturday,

June 18, Saturday

July 17, Sunday

July 30, Saturday, Autism Fundraiser

August 13, Saturday Evening, outside (weather permitting) Tennis Event, TBA

August 21, Sunday

September 17, Saturday

October 11, Tuesday, Closing Meeting

Our next Executive Board meeting will be Monday , April 25, 1 p.m. in the Stewart Room

Meeting adjourned at 12:45

Respectfully Submitted,

Marcia Weinberg

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NOTES - APRIL 25, 2022

Present: Marcia Weinberg, Steve Friedland, Helene Kleinwaks,
Linda Lafer, Kevin McCann, Michael Kaplan, Monica Strauss

Absent: Kathleen Windram

Also in Attendance: Anne Marie Stengel, Lauren Filipek,

Larry Usdin, Co-Chair, Finance Committee, Dave Whelan, BOT, Finance
Chair

1. Larry Usdin discussed the status of the construction of pickleball courts. There have been no decisions made as of this date. Three vendors have been contacted. There are three sites in consideration: between the bocce and tennis courts, the grassy knoll at the corner of the clubhouse and the removal and conversion of tennis Court 4. Larry will, if available, come to the Tennis Club General Meeting on May 2, 2022.

The Finance Committee wants to make sure that funds are available considering that there are two large projects currently being worked on (repaving and sprinkler system refurbishing). The plan is to keep the cost below \$100,000 to avoid a community vote. Marcia stated that the Tennis Club is in favor of having the pickleball courts built. However, we and the Pickleball Club are in agreement to have a separate facility built without the need of removing one of the tennis courts. Steve advised that there have been no current meetings of the Ad Hoc Committee.

2. The resignation of Mike Goldheimer from the Tennis Board was received. Accordingly, Marcia has asked Michael Kaplan to replace Mike Goldheimer which he accepted. It was unanimously voted in favor of Michael Kaplan to finish out the remaining term.

3. As soon as Claude returns from Florida, we will set a date to have a Beginners' Clinic. Monica will reach out to Debbie Smith, Chair of the Welcoming Committee to confirm the date of the next Welcome Brunch. At that time, we will forward flyers of the Beginners' Clinic and Membership Applications to her.

4. Monica gave the Treasurer's Report. There is currently \$4,574.30 in the bank account.

Membership: 44 Women, 29 Men for a total of 73 members which includes 1 new member

5. Mike will get in touch with Bob Curia and Joanne Charney with names of communities who are interested in Intercommunity play.

6. We need to make sure that the schedulers call players who are asked to play up or down more than one level.

7. Steve met with Tony to discuss the Autism Fund Raiser. There is a possibility that the fund raiser may have to either be cancelled due to increased pricing or consider a different format.

8. Lauren Filipek and Anne Marie Stengel also met with to Tony to discuss the annual dinner dance or event. Tony was not able to currently quote a price because of the consistent rise in food prices. We discussed other location options.

9. Activity Night – We need to schedule the Beginner’s Clinic so that we can advertise it on Activity Night. Helene will buy candy as a handout at our station.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30.

NOTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS WESTLAKE TENNIS CLUB

06/06/22

Meeting opened 1pm.

In attendance: Helene Kleinwaks, Linda Lafer, Kevin McCann, Monica Strauss, Marcia Weinberg, Michael Kaplan, Kathy Windram.

Absent: Steve Friedland

Event Planning:

Board discussed Autism function. Two potential venues had been discussed 1) Grille and 2) Lakewood. The Lakewood venue required a minimum of 120 participants. The Grille price was higher than Lakewood venue. Attempts to contact Grille manager where unsuccessful. Due to time constraints Autism Function was cancelled.

Since the Autism event had been cancelled we discussed various options to raise money, such as a raffle or solicit donations from the membership or Community. This will be discussed with Howard Lazan and Steve Friedland.

Lauren Filipek is spearheading the annual tennis event to be held in August.

Round Robin:

Scheduled for 6/18/22. Discussed preparation needs. Several board members volunteered to assist. Thank you to Helene Kleinwaks and Monica Strauss for all of their efforts to ensure a successful Round Robin on May 21. Participants had a great time.

Marcia Weinberg

The terms for Kevin McCann and Kathy Windram are up this year. Kathy Windram has agreed to have her name submitted for nomination for the 2023 season.

Proposal was sent to Westlake Board to repair tennis courts, estimated cost \$18k to \$20k to remediate bumps and dead spots. One tennis court may be used temporarily for pickleball with appropriate lines drawn.

Kevin McCann:

Reported men's schedulers are doing well.

There have been no men's rating games requested at this time.

Marcia reported only one rating for women was scheduled and was successful.

Rating Games:

Discussed how rating games are setup. Additional discussion will be had to crystalize the method of arranging games.

It was noted as per Westlake Tennis bylaws tennis members may request a rating game twice during a season.

Mike Kaplan:

Proposed idea of scheduling mixed doubles. The men's schedule has times when there are five men scheduled to play a match because there are not enough players to set up a second game.

Kathy W. suggested to first complete the Men's and Women's regular schedules and then set up mixed doubles schedules.

Mike Kaplan will prepare sign-up sheets as follows:

1. Players wanting to participate in evening pick up games
2. Players willing to play in a mixed doubles game on the schedule

If the schedulers need members to complete a game they would refer to sign up sheet to get a player of similar play.

Monica Strauss:

Reported: Members 51 Women and 38 Men for a total membership of 89. Three new members included and potential for 2 more new members.

Checking account balance is \$4,275.56

Intercommunity Play:

Men's games have several community's setup for intercommunity play.

S. Knolls women are interested in playing but won't play with Metedekonk. Since both have very few players, it is unlikely that we will Inter-Community for the women.

Linda Lafer

Is Preparing an article for the August issue of the journal which will include Claude Derogatis's tennis tips.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:00pm.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

JULY 18, 2022

1 PM

In attendance: Marcia Weinberg, Steve Friedland, Monica Strauss, Michael Kaplan, Helene Kleinwaks

Joining at 1:30: Lauren Fillipek and Anne Marie Stengel

Absent: Kathleen Windram, Kevin McCann, Linda Lafer

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Marcia Weinberg: In accordance with the email from the BOT and distributed by the Management Office concerning tennis and pickleball, Joel Perlman and I have arranged to meet Wednesday, July 20th at the clubhouse. Denis Claude and Steve Friedland will also be at the meeting as per Joel's request. All tennis members have been made aware of the BOT's decision to convert courts 3 and 4 to dual purpose courts. In addition, the membership was urged to attend the next open BOT meeting to voice any concerns, ask any questions.

Monica Strauss: We currently have 95 Members. The checking account has \$4,113.33

Michael Kaplan: The mixed doubles concept has not been as successful as anticipated.

Also, Michael has been in contact with a vendor to order T-Shirts for our members to purchase. When Michael is ready, the Board will send an email to the membership advising when and where they could look at a sample.

Steve Friedland: Autism.....To date, \$1,675 worth of raffles was purchased for the 50/50 drawing. There are several additional dates for purchasing raffles. The drawing will be held August 8th 1:30-2:30 in the Ballroom. Winning raffles will be drawn by Joanne Goldberg. Another appeal will be sent to various sponsors who donated in the past.

As noted above, Steve will be attending the Wednesday meeting with Joel Perlman, Denis Claude and Marcia Weinberg.

Helene Kleinwaks: Another successful Round Robin was held on Sunday.

At this point, Lauren and AnneMarie joined the meeting to bring us up-to-date on the August 13th Tennis Event. This year's event will be a Hoe Down. As of this meeting there are 4 complete tables of 10. Food will be supplied by the Grill and served as buffet. The event will be outside under the overhang near the pool. A Caller has been retained (\$400 plus tolls and gas). The ladies will speak with Joanne Goldberg re large tents.

The Meeting adjourned at 1:50.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marcia Weinberg

