

Minutes

Tennis Committee Meeting

January 17, 2024

1. Welcome -> 5 minutes	<i>Present:</i> <i>Steve Walker, Lisa Berg, Mike Downs, Ariel Gutierrez, Beth McCarthy, Alyson Aiello, Tony Gambardella, Rebecca McEfee, Erin Rendic</i>
	Committee Movement Rebecca McEfee Erin Rendic Jacquie Osterman resigning
2. Housekeeping ->5 minutes	Approve agenda with proposed time limits <i>All in favor</i> Approve meeting minutes from prior meeting <i>All in favor</i> TC meeting format – updates and action items <i>All in favor</i>
3. 2024 TC Mission Statement Development ->5-10 minutes	“The Committee strives to develop and promote programs and events which make RRC a great place to learn and play tennis for both the competitive and recreational player.” Or something like this. <i>All in favor of statement.</i>
4. Updates	
Tennis Events Patty/Erin 5-10 minutes	Proposed Calendar Year end tennis team dinner? <i>Group reviewed the attached tennis events calendar and discussed the Calcutta. Difficult to get a committed group for this event, but we still want to hold it. Will see if May 10-12 or 17-19 weekends work after USTA spring calendar is published. If not, will move to late September. Tennis Events Committee is tasked with drumming up players, enthusiasm, making it happen. Would consider a Friday party and Saturday tourney.</i> <i>Discussed a mini Valentine’s event – AG and MD to connect</i> <i>Discussed adding pickleball twilight type of event – will review later in season</i> <i>Year end tennis dinner might be good to hold in better weather, outdoors. December is very busy at the Club.</i>
Tennis League Mike 5-10 minutes	Lots of rainouts so far Next set of leagues <i>USTA season is underway and we’re sending out sign-ups</i> <i>Question regarding the Club’s recruitment policy (non-members on teams), AG responded that the policy is written on the Club’s tennis program guidelines document available online which generally states that there are opportunities to get non-member players under certain conditions, and the tennis director has ultimate say. Most teams comply with the rules.</i>

It was suggested that we add some helpful USTA links to this document (links to common questions, issues, etc.) MD will get these.

Youth Tennis Lisa 5-10 minutes	Update <i>Classes are MW 4-10 year olds, TTh 9-15 year olds (depends on level) Classes teach etiquette, strokes, match play Program is not an Academy, rather aims to teach kids to be lifelong players of the sport</i>
Drop-In Tennis Steve 5 minutes	Update <i>Is tennis church going on? LB working on ball machine drills for players of all interests</i>
5. Special Projects Steve 5-10 minutes	Update Tennis Program Guidelines <i>Group wants some links to USTA guidance Update recruitment policy Update operational details (AG)</i>
Additional Items	Action Item <i>The Board would like the Tennis Committee to offer a decision on whether or not a member's request to put up a windscreen at court 3 should be approved. The Committee discussed this at length. None were in favor of putting a windscreen at the side of court 3. Not approved. Other Updates: AG reported that some RRC "delegates" went to see the Tweener lights at BTC. These could be an option for us if we decide to pursue lights as they are low cost and low profile. One committee member requested more attention to getting water coolers on all courts, every day. Committee discussed whether or not Pickleball is included in TC purview; MN to report to Board. One committee member requested a Board decision on whether or not we should charge pickleball players for their pickleball guests when playing in a pickleball league match. MN to report to the Board.</i>
6. Meeting Adjourn	Next meeting: February 28, 12pm
