

Minutes KTC Executive Meeting/

May 21, 2019, 7:00-9:00pm

Gary's house

In attendance: Mike Bartlett, Doug Bowie, Mike Halinski, Taco Meuter, Nerissa Mulligan, Bud Nelson, Chloe Wilson, Gary Wilson

Regrets: Jean-Francois Duplessis

1. Agenda approved.
2. Minutes of April 23 Board meeting approved.
3. Meeting locations and refreshments

Considering how refreshments improve Board deliberations during meetings and the need to ensure Board members feel comfortable when called upon to provide them for a meeting, **M (Gary) S (Mike H.) Carried that up to \$35 be available to pay for non-alcoholic refreshments ongoing for monthly meetings.**

4. Membership Committee Update

- It was reported 16 tickets have been purchased for the Club's suite at the Toronto Rogers Cup arranged through OTA.
- As of today 28 fewer members than we had last year.
- Peta Bailey and Julie Hoffarth composed an email that was sent to non-renewing members from last year to ask about their reasons for not rejoining.
- Possible reasons for lower number: still early, weather's been bad, open house was delayed.
- Non-members playing Club tournaments: many years ago the Club hosted Open tournaments where non-members were invited to compete. Should we try this again, perhaps restricting non-members to consolation stream? Bud will investigate.

5. Programs

- We need to develop a policy for how we compensate people who have paid for instructional sessions that are rained out. When re-scheduling won't work do we refund the value of missed sessions, or do we specify in our conditions of registration that there will be no weather-related refunds.

- Committee is still discussing what structure the instructors of the summer camps should work in – one director, co-directors or supervision by a pro.
- Pensions: some people have registered for clinics but have yet to pay for them. Stewards will call them to see whether they're still planning to take the clinic.
- Lansdowne has asked us to provide junior tennis racquets and an instructor for an event there that unfortunately is on the same date as our junior open house.

#### 6. Finance Committee/Treasurer Update

Kristine and Mike are trying to work out best method of paying stewards.

Question raised about procedure Anne should use to be paid her \$1500 per month.

Camp registrations are down: Some suggestions to raise them: Advertise them at beginning of year as other camps do; include reminders of the camps in KTC announcements; have leaflets at junior open house (Viki is planning to have them for this year's Junior Open House.) Anne will email a reminder to past registrants.

#### 7. Facilities & Infrastructure

Doug reported FirstOnSite has completed clubhouse repairs at a cost of \$19,000 (cost to KTC \$1,000 deductible plus HST). Re-roofing has also been completed at \$6,400.

Viki recruited 12 people to power wash and sand deck, and apply two coats of paint.

Isabelle and Peta are getting flowers to place around the club.

We'll try having stewards look after grass cutting instead of a lawn service.

Gill has ordered shirts for staff and sale to members.

OTF project: companies being considered use varying qualities of paint for court surface; 25% down to guarantee court painting.

Details about changes to the fence on east side of court 4 and west side of court 1 still to be decided.

Sub-drainage issue: we need to hear from Doug Prinsen.

Lights on courts 4 & 6 will have to be improved at some point. Probably best to do it at same time as this fall's work on courts 2 & 3 so lessens lost court time.

#### 8. City of Kingston/Indoor Tennis

Mike B., Chloe, Heidi Traulsen and Jeff Elwood met with Luke Follwell from City who said it's considering rebuilding public courts on Bayridge Ave. near Taylor-Kidd that would include a bubble

for indoor tennis. City would cover construction costs but want private operator. They have interest from a private operator, but would welcome other parties competing, including the KTC.

9. Strategic Planning

We continued discussion around developing clubhouse options. Chloe broached the idea of having Shoalts & Zaback (local architects) develop a proposal for renovating the existing clubhouse (maintaining it's seasonal nature and changing little, functionally). Ray Zaback provided an estimate of \$4,500 to do this work.

We discussed how we first need to come up with a plan for developing options before spending more resources on specific options. On the one hand, learning what is possible and how much it will cost is useful, but on the other we have limited resources so need to ensure that options we investigate will meet our needs (in terms of clubhouse function as well as affordability, and member support).

10. Sharing the 2018 OTF Grant Application with Gananoque Council

Unanimous support in favour of Gan's request.

11. Youth Diversion Tournament

Considering lost court time, precedent set by this event and time taken from other matters Board is dealing with, **M (Gary), S (Bud) Defeated that KTC decline Youth Diversion's suggestion of a charity tennis tournament.**

Mike B. will discuss the feasibility with Youth Diversion.

12. Online booking system change

Taco made a brief presentation about problems with our current system after which it was decided he will work on options as time permits.

13. Other business

Anne has asked if it would be possible for group lesson participants to have court time right after their lessons to encourage them to stay and play more tennis. However it was decided that this wouldn't make sense given that group lessons happen during prime time when court availability is so limited.

14. Adjournment at 9:45.