

CTC Membership Meeting Minutes February 16, 2010

I. Opening

- (1) President Keith Nelson called the meeting to order at 8:10pm. Board members present were: Keith Nelson, Pete Delacio, Susan Stewart, Kelz Kelzenberg, Al Wagner, and Lucy Geller.

President Nelson introduced the new members who were present.

II. Approval of minutes from January 19th, 2010 Meeting

A motion was made by Pete Delacio and seconded by Peter Gorman to approve the Minutes of the January 19th Meeting. The motion passed.

III. Election of 2010-2011 CTC Officers

- (1) President Nelson announced the candidates selected by the Nominating Committee for the 2010-2011 year. They are as follows. Kelz Kelzenberg for President; Al Wagner for Vice President; Kathy Sundsrud for Secretary; Judy Crane for Treasurer and Tony Simonelli for Tournament Director. A motion was made by Bill Triquart to accept the nominations from the Nominating Committee and approve the election of the named candidates unanimously. The motion passed. The new Board will take their place on March 17, 2010.

IV. Reports

(1) President's Report – Keith Nelson

President Nelson reported that a situation has arisen over the use of the Palo Verde and Ironwood courts. Nelson explained that for many years part of the reciprocal agreement between Cottonwood/Palo Verde and Iron/Oaks was for unrestricted use of the Ironwood and Palo Verde courts. However two years ago, when the reciprocal agreement came up for renewal Iron/Oaks requested that this arrangement be removed and it was. Iron/Oaks wanted their courts to be available for their residents. However, now players are coming back and forth violating this agreement and it's become a problem. So now all matches with players from both communities must have at least an equal number of players from the home community. As a result, our Patrol will be checking IDs on the Palo Verde courts.

(2) Financial Report – Peter Dalecio

Treasurer, Pete Dalecio distributed the current Budget/Expense Report sheet listing comparison figures between last and this year. Dalecio pointed out the current net gain of \$1,333.00 over last year but further explained that part of that figure would soon be used to cover expenses for upgrading of the Trophy Wall.

A motion was made by Art Miller and seconded by Pete Gorman to accept the Budget/Expense Report dated February 2010. The motion passed.

(3) Rating Committee Report – Kelz Kelzenberg

Chairman Kelzenberg reported that the peer rating forms were distributed and requested that if you hadn't received one to email him and he'd see to it that you got one. The committee will meet on February 25th to tabulate and review the forms and hopefully by March have results.

(4) Tournament Director's Report – Al Wagner

Al Wagner reported that the Leisure World social just finished and once again we were swamped with 61 teams signed up and only being able to field 35. Wagner advised players to continue to sign up because players not chosen previously will be chosen for forthcoming events.

Wagner reminded us of the upcoming Robson Cup event on Saturday, February 20th 2010 and displayed the red shirts that will be worn by the players.

Al Wagner announced that the Mixed Doubles assignments were posted on the bulletin board by the courts and on our website.

Wagner also announced that the sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board for the Trilogy social slated for Saturday, March 6th, 2010 and with the East/West Social on the following weekend.

(5) Recreation Committee Report – Susan Stewart, CTC Representative

Susan Stewart reported that nothing covering CTC had been taken up.

(6) Membership Report – Mary White

In Mary White's absence, Keith Nelson reported that our current count is now over 300 paid members.

(7) Sunshine Report – Donna Nelson

Donna Nelson reported that she fine tuned her responsibilities as the Sunshine Lady to include sending words of cheer as well as words of sympathy to members, their spouses, parents and children. Only 2 get well cards and 2 condolence cards were required this month. Nelson reiterated her usual request to please let her know what's happening and she'd take it from there.

President Nelson thanked our hosts, Dorothea and Horst Flachsmann for doing such a great job.

V. Current Business

(1) Trophy Display – Susan Stewart

Susan Stewart reported that the HOA Board of Directors voted to make the wall inside the foyer of the exercise room the Trophy Wall. Photos of past presidents, trophies and plaques are in the process of being hung. A logo measuring 30 inches around and saying "Cottonwood Tennis Club 1982" will also be displayed.

(2) Recreation Night – Pete Gazzola

President Nelson, in Pete Gazzola's absence, reminded us of the Recreation Dept.'s upcoming "Recreation Night" slated for Wednesday, March 10th at 5pm, the cost of \$3.00 for food and drinks. Again, as was done last year, we invited Mesa Community College's nationally rated Men's Team to put on an exhibition. Other activities will be going on at the other courts ie, racket tryouts, racket exchanges and an "Introduction to Tennis" for beginners. This is a community event so invite friends and neighbors. There will be prizes too.

(3) 2010-2011 Dues

President Nelson reminded us that the Club dues of \$40.00 (the greatest bargain around) is due by March 15 and if you haven't already done so, please get your check in to the suggestion box by the courts to ensure that your name be included in the 2010-2011 Directory.

Treasurer Dalecio added that \$40.00 is due in US dollars. Should you pay in Canadian funds please add \$3.00 due to the bank's requirements.

(4) Pickleball Court Proposal

President Nelson brought up the subject of the proposed Pickleball sites. This issue is being tabled by the HOA Board for their February meeting but will be addressed at their March meeting. The proposal has gone through the Recreation Committee and is now in the hands of the Facilities and Grounds Committee. Currently there are three options which are 1) three courts behind the Admin. Bldg., built end-to-end costing approximately \$40,000.00, 2) four courts adjacent to Admin. Bldg. Running south side-to-side costing approximately \$100,000.00, and 3) Palo Verde Court #1 costing approximately \$8,000.00. Nelson went on to say that it appears there's a push on for the Palo Verde option because of money and parking requirements. Nelson could not recall a time when the HOA took space from one activity and gave it to another. We have well over 300 members while Pickleball members number approximately 100 with 30% not Phase II residents. The HOA Board is under the impression that the PV courts are empty in the afternoons and this is true only at specific times, but every facility has a down time such as golf. Residents use the am for outdoor activities like tennis and golf and the pm for indoor activities such as cards and Mah Jongg etc. President Nelson made the request and stressed the importance to log PV court usage on a 24/7 basis. Nelson provided a sign up sheet for people to take assigned times to this end. The Recreation Committee will reject the third option and it is believed that the Facilities and Grounds Committee will also reject it. Adriana Michael reported that options 1 and 2 were also questionable as to their feasibility due to the fact that one of those locations is to be used for the new Administration building. Bob Heichelbech commented that having Pickleball courts on our tennis court is not acceptable but he wonders if we push them (the HOA) it might have a negative effect on the future workings of the Club. Susan Stewart commented that the Pickleball people don't want anything done on tennis property; they want their own "home." Tony Simonelli inquired about the site located south of the Michigan Gate but Al Wagner explained that the absence of rest room facilities and parking made that site unusable. Wayne Mangold said that the Club should assign a committee to come up with rational arguments against option 3. President Nelson said that he would form a committee for this very purpose.

(5) Refreshment Coordinator – Jack Szatkowski

Jack Szatkowski thanked Tony and Kaipoo Simonelli for the great job that they did on the Leisure World Social. Szatkowski also requested assistance for the Mixed Doubles Tournament. Szatkowski also thanked all who helped in the last event.

VI. New Business

Pete Dalecio advised us that the CTC Picnic Committee met and made the following decisions. Baked chicken, potato salad, coleslaw, desserts, snacks, beer, wine, sodas and water will be provided at a cost of \$2.00 (advance purchase) and \$5.00 (at the door). The date is March 15th from 11am to 3pm on Saturday, April 17th 2010 at Sisk Park. There will be music, games, prizes and gift certificates. Members and spouses or significant others ONLY are welcome. Tickets will go on sale March 15th 2010.

VII. Next Membership Dinner Meeting Tuesday, March 16, 2010 at Palo Verde

Hosted by Christy and George Thomas

VII. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Jack Szatkowski and seconded by Susie Dunn. The motion passed, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Lucy Geller, Secretary