

***Hop Brook Tennis Club Board Meeting  
June 5th, 2023***

The meeting of the Hop Brook Tennis Club Board was called to order by Ted Almy at 7:06 p.m. via zoom.

**Present:** Ted Almy, Tracy Tietje, Marc Philo, Jennifer Larwood, Tom Duffy, Althea Schwartz and Charlie McCormick

**Absent:** Todd Raymond

**I. Minutes**

- The minutes to the May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 meeting were approved as presented.

**II. Financial Report**

- In Todd's absence Ted reported that the current year accounts receivable/dues are down to \$2,300 outstanding. This amount reflects seven members whom Todd has not heard anything from in regards to payment or membership status. Todd will be checking the P.O. Box this week to check for payments and will send out respective reminders to outstanding balances afterwards.

**III. Membership**

- The Board formally approved the application of Lawrence (Larry) Baril. Larry will full individual membership. Larry's application is to be sent to Jeanne and Todd for onboarding.
- Marc will be reaching out to Kerry Wisser's sponsor Jeff Windsor for Kerry's contact information and a PDF version of Kerry's application.

**IV. Pickle Ball**

- Tape will be placed on paddle court 2 this week in lieu of putting down the pickle ball overlay surface. This will allow both courts to continue to be used for paddle while still allowing members to play pickle ball.
- Mary Ellen Mullen is planning on picking up the pickle ball tiles this week. Price of tiles will be determined at the end of the season.

**V. Bocce Ball**

- Ted cleaned up the bocce ball court and got a new bocce ball set for the club.
- Tom will be making final preparations for the Italian night bocce ball tournament. Participation in the bocce ball tournament is expected to increase this year.

**VI. Paddle Court Repair**

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- Marc let the board know that Rob Coster informed him we have 2 weeks to make a decision if work is to start this fall (September/October).
- Marc stated seven people have verbally agreed to a personal donation of \$1,000-\$5,000.
- Ted, Marc, and Pat Sullivan have identified members that may be willing to make large donations and will be speaking to them individually.
- Given the time sensitive response needed an emergency meeting may be held prior to the next scheduled meeting to discuss fundraising efforts.

**VII. House Committee Chair**

- Ted will be asking Betsy Richards to be the club's house committee chair.

**VIII. Tennis**

- The men's first Greater Hartford League match is tonight. Peter Scott is captaining the team.
- The women's team is hoping to continue playing in their Greater Hartford League. The women are looking for more players due to some injuries. Matches are at 9:30 Thursday mornings.
- Ted approved Jeremy Greshin to start a Wednesday drop in for Men's tennis similar to the Tuesday Paddle drop in that Marc Philo runs. The board is hopeful this will lead to more prospective members joining, similar to how paddle night led to increased membership

**IX. Website**

- Keith Becker has been engaged by the club and has started working on the website conversion. More details will come as his work progresses.

**X. Other Business/Open Discussion**

- Tracy is ordering a \$90 battery for the Slinger ball machine as the machine is currently not charging. Tracy will invoice Todd after making the purchase.

The next meeting has been scheduled for Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

Adjournment by Ted Almy: 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:  
Charlie McCormick