Tennis Club Board Meeting – March 12, 2012

President Greg Mather called the meeting to order at 2:30 with Bill Eastman, Don Neu and Bobbie Reed in attendance. Also in attendance for all or part of the meeting: Jerry Rex, incoming Tennis Play Director; Judy Gahide, Membership Chair and Nominating Committee member; Ted Miles, Facilities Chairman

# • The Agenda

• The Agenda was reviewed and accepted.

# • Approval of 02/13/2012 Minutes

• Meeting minutes were approved.

# • Suggestion Box and Web Email

No suggestions or comments were received. Several questions on the logo contest and Jason Morton Classic were answered.

# Reports

•	<b>Treasurer's Report</b> – Checking Account beginning balance:	\$2115.37
0	Deposits: Calcutta income Jason Morton Classic Donations	9812.00 1700.00
	Jason Morton registration fees Reimbursement for Cooker Key deposits	3598.13 43.51 9.00
0	Expenses: Refund (overpayment JMCT) Charity contributions Calcutta Expense reimbursement Calcutta	(3.13) (9487.00) (325.41)
0	Jason Morton prizes Checking Account ending balance	(2650.00) \$4812.47
0	Saving Account balance:	\$ 25.00

# • Racquet Club Committee Liaison Report

No meeting of the Racquet Club Committee has been held since our last meeting.

# • Membership

• We currently have 351 members - 336 annual members, 11 monthly members and 2 honorary members. Since October monthly memberships have resulted in \$2265 in membership fees.

## • Food/Beverage

Mickey sent a report indicating the success of the Food and Beverage service for the JMCT. Barb Carr served as chairperson and Vivian Guimond as co-chair. Players were complimentary of the event and the friendliness of the members who worked the food service and the nice selection of snacks and food.

Mickey sent a description of the plans for food at the Clay Court tournament. The group agreed and approved the \$350 requested. A co-chairperson needs to be identified to assist with the Clay court tournament.

#### • Facilities

Concern was expressed about the slow response to a number of facilities issues. If issues with locks and ball machine are not resolved in the next week, Greg will work with Ted to look into what can be done to improve response time to problems.

## • Tennis Play

- Robson Cup will be at Saddlebrooke on Saturday March 31. An email blast will be sent to members to identify who might be available and interested in participating. Don and Bill will choose the players from among those available. Don will prepare the text and ask Dick Harrold to send it out.
- Clay court tournament is at the end of the month. Greg noted that there will be a 50:50 raffle to raise money for the club. The group recommended that the tournament be open to all IronOaks members and residents of Sun Lakes Country Club I, Cottonwood-Palo Verde and Sunbird. Sign up deadline is March 20.
- Master calendar for 2012-2013 is under development and should be in place within the next two weeks. Tournaments will be scheduled for one week in response to the survey.
- Rick Kenny has suggested a "post mortem" of the Jason Morton Tournament to identify what went well and what could be improved for next year. Greg will ask Rick to lead that effort.
- Men's and women's league play was reviewed. Men's leagues appear to have been successful and will likely continue. Most of the women's leagues are likely to dissolve. The biggest complaint was the unevenness of play - with too many players at disparate levels. If women's leagues are to be successful, there needs to be a better way of grouping players.

## • Special Reports

Bill Gates submitted a report from the Nominating Committee indicating that no nominations were submitted by any member and recommended the adoption of the slate presented. The Secretary was asked to cast a single ballot for the slate of officers. They will assume office on May 1. They are:

President – Rick Kenny Vice President – Dick Harrold Tennis Play Director – Jerry Rex Secretary – Vivian Guimond Treasurer – Barbara Carr

#### **Old Business**

- **Tennis Survey** results were reviewed. A report to the membership with a summary of the five or six key findings and how they will be addressed will be drafted by Greg.
- **Calcutta** Greg reported on the success of the Calcutta and summarized the donations made to different charities. The group discussed whether the Calcutta should be a break even event with all money going to cover costs and charity or whether the club should make some modest profit. The general consensus was that the formulas for distribution of moneys should include some amount going to the club perhaps taking a % of the entry fees, and perhaps designating the funds for a particular improvement that would benefit all members.
- **Logo contest** The winning logo, submitted by Tom Marshall was reviewed. Greg will explore possibilities of having it available as a patch to be placed on clothing. It was recommended that the club adopt blue, yellow and black as the club colors.

## **New Business**

• **Growth of Pickleball** – The group was alerted that the Pickleball Club was developing a request for 4 additional courts. The challenge will be where to locate such courts. The expectation is that the HOA Board will consider taking tennis courts for this purpose since that would be cheaper than building a new court. However, it was noted that post tension concrete is overkill for pickleball and a less expensive, standard surface should be considered. Such a suggestion should go through the HOA Racquet Committee and get endorsement there before being taken to the Board.

## **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be April 9 at 2:30 PM in the Ocotillo room.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made and seconded. The meeting concluded at 3:40 PM.