

SCTA Board Meeting Minutes, June 1, 2022

Board Meeting Minutes  
Bayside Room, Lakehouse  
June 1, 2022

Board Attendees: Cindy Good, President  
Sheryl Tschetter, Vice President  
Kim Scoggins, Treasurer  
Gail Fitzmaurice, Secretary  
Michael Sacks, Director, Membership  
Greg Pavan, Director, Bucket Brigade  
Deb Campbell, Director, Tennis Ambassadors  
Chris Scott, Past President

Board Absences: Lyn Herrick, Director, Events

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**Call to Order: Cindy Good**

Cindy Good called the meeting to order at 6:00PM and determined that a quorum was present. Cindy verified that the May board meeting minutes had been posted at the Logo bulletin board, the SCTA website, and in a recent Eblast for members to read. The May board meeting minutes were then approved.

**Treasurer's Report: Kim Scoggins**

Kim Scoggins provided an overview of the Treasurer's report for May (see the included Attachment). Treasurer's report was approved.

**DIRECTOR REPORTS:**

**Membership: Michael Sacks**

Michael Sacks reported there are 749 members as of 5/31/22. The online membership directory is current and the Logo staff received a printed copy. A list of the 7 new members was delivered to Logo staff along with printed directories for each new member. Each of these new members was emailed notifying them that they can pick up a printed directory at the Logo building. Membership revenue as of 5/31/22 is \$36,450 (which reflects those members who signed up and were billed in late 2021 and were therefore considered paid through 2022).

**Ambassadors: Deb Campbell**

Deb Campbell advised that SCTA participated in the Chartered Club Showcase on May 12, 2022, with a table set up near the Logo building from 10:00AM-2:00PM, displaying the SCTA banner with what SCTA has to offer and some printed handouts which were compiled from information found on the SCTA website. Twelve people stopped by between 10:00AM-Noon with various questions, including some about the New to Tennis program, PJ's Men's League, and upcoming

clinics. Linda Borovich answered questions from those who were new to tennis, including information on the Tuesday afternoon New to Tennis games that take place on the North side. Linda touched base with Mark in the Logo building as to what information he is providing to those who stop by looking to start playing tennis. He was referring them to the M-W-F Round Robin. Linda pointed out that the Round Robin was for players at 3.0 and above, while the Tuesday program was for those who are beginners or have been away from tennis for an extended period of time.

PJ Mahoney answered questions and invited a few of the men to play in his Sunday league. After 12:00PM, no additional people stopped by the table. After the Showcase ended, the printed hand-outs were brought to the Logo building, where Pam Siebert of the Logo staff found some errors in the information. The errors will be corrected on the SCTA website in the near future and the handouts will be revised accordingly. A supply will be available in the Logo building so the staff can provide them to any new players seeking information.

THANKS to Linda Borovich, Sheryl Tschetter, PJ Mahoney, Joanne Patterson, and Deb Murray for volunteering their time to help with SCTA's participation at the Club Showcase. And THANKS to Dudley Kay for making the new SCTA banner showing what SCTA has to offer. The banner will be used at the Club Signup in October.

The 3.0 Ambassador, Joanne Patterson, was contacted by Jill Ford, captain of the 2.5 team that is going to State Playoffs. Jill asked Joanne to provide some 3.0 players will to practice with Jill's team to get them ready. Joanne has four of her team members who stepped up to practice with Jill's team to get them ready for Playoffs. Paying forward to the 3.5's who helped Joanne's 3.0 team get ready last November. We are hoping this ritual will continue in the future.

#### **WTO: Barb Fluharty**

Barb Fluharty reported that the Match Point event, sponsored by WTO and held on 5/1/22 at the end of the Mix & Match Tournament, raised \$690. This figure is less than the \$1,000 stated in the May 9th Board minutes. The difference was \$300 in donations which ended up being credited toward Derby Day totals and not Match Point.

The Derby Day event sponsored by WTO was held on 5/7/22 and was successful in raising \$3,564 for the designated charities. The pro staff was instrumental in making it a fun event for all who played tennis in the morning. The morning activities were followed by a silent auction, luncheon and the popular decorated hat contest.

Plans are under way for the upcoming Pledge the Pink Day.

#### **USTA Liaison: Mary deCesare**

Since Mary was away, Sheryl Tschetter read Mary's report. Sun City had five teams attend the State Playoffs (one qualifying team was unable to attend). The weather conditions were not tennis-friendly with high temperatures affecting the 70+ teams and then rain and thunderstorms stopping play for the 55+ teams before all matches were completed.

Unfortunately, one undefeated Sun City team missed out on Semi's and possible Finals because USTA halted the event and instead drew numbers, and this team's number was not drawn. On a brighter note, Jill Ford's 40+ 2.5 team was invited to participate in the State Championships in Aiken, SC later this summer.

**Bucket Brigade: Greg Pavan**

Greg Pavan reported that mats and some windscreens were repaired by his group. The drain by court 1 has been cleaned out. A work order for water fountain repairs has been submitted. Repairs were made to screening over the board on court 4. Greg will be conducting a test on a couple of nets to determine if cleaning is needed. The net crank on court 7 is being replaced on 6/2 so that court will be re-opened.

**EVENTS**

**Harvest Festival: Carolyn Walton**

Carolyn reported that the Pinckney Hall ballroom, a photo booth, and entertainment have been booked and the committee is working on securing a caterer.

**Bluffton Boys & Girls Club Tennis Day: Cindy Good/Lyn Herrick**

Cindy reported that the event date of 6/29/22 has been confirmed by BGC's director. In the morning (around 10AM-11AM), Deb Murray and Tina Franck will be leading tennis games on the North side with racquets supplied by Gavin Cox. This will be followed by Bocce from 11AM-12:00. Lunch at the Pavilion will be from 12:00-1:00PM. Afternoon events will involve some activity at the softball field, exhibition of motorized boats at Lake Somerset, and a visit to the woodworking shop/model train display.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Letter to Membership/2019 Vote**

Cindy Good reported that she received many emails thanking her for the clarification letter that was sent to the membership regarding the 2019 Vote. Cindy along with Michael Sacks addressed some concerns about the 2019 Vote raised in an email received from Anne McCarl. Anne was present and voiced that much of her concern centered around the fact that Steve Sandike is still very much involved in scheduling and questions what Gary Green actually does. Anne went on to say that certain members feel they were sold a bill of goods regarding the 2019 vote, thus creating disappointment, anger, and mistrust of the SCTA board. Further discussion ensued and Cindy made it clear that our \$26,000 is being paid directly to the Community, not an outside agency, as SCTA's contribution for the additional scheduling hours necessary to cover all of our events --- USTA, Intraclub, Lottery, and Tournaments such as Mix and Match. That the Community decided to hire an outside agency to handle the maintenance as well as the scheduling and Logo Building responsibilities was strictly a move on the Community's part to deliver a better product to the tennis community. Please remember that the SCTA Board did not find out about the Community's decision until November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2 ½ weeks after the 2019 Vote. Cindy closed the discussion by stating that our \$26,000 contribution would

again be voted upon in November when the membership is asked to approve the 2023 budget. At that time, Cindy said she would again review the various budget line items and answer any questions.

#### **Community Tennis Maintenance/Bill Martin**

Cindy Good reported that Bill is looking into the lack of proper draining at the water fountains. All dead plants have been removed from the landscape surrounding the courts on the South side, and the sidewalks have been edged. All the green benches have been repainted. Another issue to be addressed by Bill will be adding additional gravel and rock to our pathways and sides of courts for better weed control.

#### **Policies & Procedures Update: Sheryl Tschetter**

Sheryl Tschetter advised the next update will be in September/October.

#### **Chelsea Reservation Update: Gavin Cox**

Gavin advised that there is now a history of usage by individuals. Abuses of Chelsea are being tracked, such as those players who are getting bookings more than three times per week during prime time. In conjunction with this, Ryan at Lifestyles has been charged with cleaning up CAM numbers in Chelsea from those individuals who have died, moved away, or simply never existed. The next step will be to take this list of Chelsea abusers to Brad Phillips, General Manager, and figure out a plan of action. Gavin stated that all courts will be top dressed as soon as clay is delivered, which is presently on backorder.

#### **Open Intraclub Coordinator Position: Cindy Good**

Charlie Sapernakis has volunteered to be the 3.0 Men's Coordinator. Thank you for volunteering!

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Fall Lottery Issues: Steve Sandike**

Discussion was deferred as Steve was unable to attend the Board meeting. There are not enough courts to support USTA and the 3.0/3.5 Men's and Women's Intraclub Leagues, so a discussion will take place in an Executive Board Meeting to be held prior to August.

#### **2023 Community Projects: Cindy Good**

Request again that a water fountain be installed on the North side courts – Cindy Good spoke to the President of Pickleball about sharing the cost.

Request a new ball machine to replace one of the current ones --- each unit is over 9 years old.

#### **Sports Expansion (five-year plan by SCHCA): Cindy Good**

Cindy has a meeting with representatives of the SCHCA board (June 3<sup>rd</sup>) to discuss what SCTA would like to see as part of this Sports expansion and they include the following:

- 1) Request that the croquet and putting green areas be used to add 4 more tennis courts, rather than placing courts over at Argent East.
- 2) Request a covered area be built (next to the Pavilion where the large brick patio is presently) to be used by tennis teams for socializing after matches. A pergola will be built over this area to match the existing ones on the bocce courts.
- 3) Request another ball machine.
- 4) Request a 2<sup>nd</sup> women's bathroom on the South side.
- 5) Request additional bleachers and pergolas erected outside courts #4 and 12 for expanded guest viewing.
- 6) Request a half-sized court with a backboard be installed.

**July and August Board Meetings: Cindy Good**

Cindy announced that the July and August Board Meetings have been canceled due to board members traveling during these two months.

**Motion to adjourn Board Meeting: Cindy Good**

Meeting adjourned 7:54PM.

NEXT BOARD MEETING – Wednesday Sept. 7, 2022, 6:00PM Bayside Room, Lakehouse

<b>SCTA Treasurers Report</b>		<b>\$ 38,759.02</b>	Ending balance 4/30/2022
<b>5/1/2022 - 5/25/2022</b>			
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	<b>Cash Inflows</b>		<b>Notes</b>
	2022 Membership Dues	300	
	2022 Mix and Match concessions	815	
	WTO Derby Day	4,136.44	
	WTO match point	30	
	<b>TOTAL INFLOWS</b>	<b>\$ 5,281.44</b>	
	<b>Cash Outflows</b>		
	2022 Mix and Match expenses	-2,326.28	
	2022 Mix and Match food	-911.15	
	adjust chains on sun screens	-250	
	Charter Club day	-55.12	
	Halloween party deposit	-200	
	Luck of Irish wine and cheese	-154.35	
	WTO charity	-45.02	
	WTO Derby Day expense	-1,908.47	
	WTO scholarship	-398.35	
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	<b>TOTAL OUTFLOWS</b>	<b>\$ (6,248.74)</b>	
	<b>Net Cash Flow</b>	<b>\$ (967.30)</b>	
	SCTA Balance	\$ 30,705.52	
	WTO Balance	\$ 7,086.20	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 37,791.72</b>	Balance carried forward