

**SCTA Board Meeting Minutes**  
**December 4, 2024**  
**Pinckney Hall Kiawah River Room, 6:00 PM**

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**Board Attendees:** Tyler Tollstrup, Interim President  
Cindy Good, Interim Vice President  
Martha Widgen, Treasurer  
Michael Sacks, Director, Membership  
Laurie Williams, Secretary  
Carolyn Walton, Director, Events  
Deb Campbell, Director, Tennis Ambassadors

**Absent:** Michael Ryan, Director, Bucket Brigade/Ombudsman

**Call to Order:** **Tyler Tollstrup**  
Tyler called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

**Minutes and Quorum:** **Laurie Williams**  
Laurie determined that a quorum of the Board was present. The Board Minutes from November 6, 2024 had been posted on the SCTA website and Logo bulletin board and emailed in an E-blast to the members. Tyler called for a motion to waive the reading of, and approve the minutes; Michael Sacks moved to approve the motion; Martha seconded the motion; the board unanimously approved to waive the reading of the minutes.

**Treasurer's Report:** **Martha Widgen**  
SCTA Treasurer's Report for November 2024;

**Cash Inflows**

\$ 150.00	SCHHCA reimbursement for September Membership dues
\$ 3,425.00	WTO Tennis in the Pink - CAM reimbursement
\$ 20.00	WTO Miscellaneous Cash Donation

**Total deposits for November: \$3,595.00**

**Cash Outflows**

\$ 710.36	Election Runner Charges/Website Renewals
\$ 1,702.84	Club Championship Expenses
\$ 116.14	Lumber/Stone Purchases - Court Maintenance
\$ 175.67	WTO - Tennis Scholarship awarded

**TOTAL expenses for November: \$ 2,705.01**

Net Cash Flow for November (+ \$ 889.99)  
Net cash flow YTD 2024: + \$ 18,576.14

**The bank balance as of November 30, 2024: \$48,061.74**  
\$ 38,535.92 for the club  
\$ 9,525.82 for WTO

actual report follows at the end of the minutes

Tyler made a motion to approve the report; Michael Sacks moved to approve and Deb seconded the motion, and the report was unanimously approved by the Board.

### **DIRECTOR/LIAISON REPORTS**

#### **Membership: Michael Sacks**

During the month of November

- 1 member joined SCTA for 2024;
- As of November month-end, 787 members have joined compared with 805 members at this time last year. The 2024 budget is based on 750 members;
- I have submitted a bill to the CA for November membership that includes:
  - \$2,448 Club Championship entry fees; total billing submitted is \$2,498;
- Total dues for 2024 are \$38,450
  - Note that  $787 \times \$50 = \$39,350$ . The difference is 18 newbies who joined late in 2023 were credited for the remainder of 2023 plus all of 2024.

#### **Ambassadors: Deb Campbell**

Two Ambassadors have resigned and will not be returning in January: Linda Chasnov and Rich Koncicki, both 3.0 Ambassadors. The new Director of Ambassadors, Fiona Harwood will assist in selecting their replacements.

A binder has been created with all pertinent information for her; in addition, Fiona will receive all the SCTA banners.

#### **Bucket Brigade: Michael Ryan**

- Thanks to the Bucket Brigade for the outstanding work getting the courts looking so good for the club championship;
- Please keep me informed of any court issues. A hole in the fence on court #14 was reported and fixed by the CA;
- Check out the new windscreens that are replacing damaged windscreens. They're a different style, and they should prove stronger.

#### **Women's Tennis Organization (WTO): Angela Bossu Wolfe**

- Treasurer's report: ending balance for November was \$9,525.82;
- As of 12/2/2024, WTO has received 9 of the 10 receipts from the Memorial Scholarship recipients; a reminder has gone out to the remaining recipient;
- SCTA Sports Apparel sale was very successful. Preliminary report as of 12/2/24, WTO received 386 orders, totaling \$7,898.00 with a profit of \$1,879.00;
- Joe Turino submitted the WTO article for the SunSations February issue on Nov 24th;
- The following WTO Steering Committee Members leaving the board in December are:
  - Anne Clemmitt, JoEllen Bitner, and Michele Oltman.
  - We are in the process of securing several key positions with new members.
- 2025 Dates:
  - 2/10 - 2/14/2025      Food for Love (NOTE: Valentines Day is 2/14)
  - 3/2/2025                Wine and Cheese

- o 3/28/2025 Trivia Night
- o 4/26/2025 Match Point (During Mix & Match Tournament)
- o 9/27/2025 Tennis in the Pink
- o TBD Sport Gear Sale during Club Championship

**USTA Liaison: Bob Waite**

- Bob has notified the Board that he is stepping down as the USTA Liaison. Mike McCombs has agreed to replace Bob in this role effective immediately. We wish Bob well and appreciate all that he has done for us all!
- Welcome Mike, looking forward to working with you!

**IntraClub Liaison: Rich White**

- New Intraclub Coordinators for:
  - o 3.0 John Miller
  - o 4.0 Jim Hannah
  - o The Intraclub Coordinators have confirmed completion of the grandfathering activities for certain members participating in Intraclub this spring.
- Tyler advised that the Board has been working with the Club Pros to ensure concerns by the membership are being addressed with regards to the ratings clinic. Discussions continue on how best to meet all the concerns raised.

**Event Director: Carolyn Walton**

The CPR class is scheduled for January 30, 2025 at 1:00 in the Pinckney Ballroom;

**Space is limited** - if you want to attend, please send an email to:

Carolyn Walton at [crlynwalton@yahoo.com](mailto:crlynwalton@yahoo.com) **ASAP**.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**2025 Budget Tyler Tolstrup**

- The 2025 Budget was approved by the membership through electronic voting and will be effective 1/1/2025.

**2025 Budget RECAP Martha Widgen**

- Dues will remain at \$50 for the 6th straight year; we are budgeting for 775 members for 2025. This will result in an increase of 3% or \$1,250 compared to last year.
- Our partnership agreement with SCHCA remains unchanged for 2025; Logo, Court maintenance, and Chelsea;
- Water fountain on North Side - still an active item and will remain a separate line item has been increased to \$10,000; possible assistance from the Pickleball Club; the CIP Committee will continue working on this;
- Ice Machine - South Side - this project is moving forward; paperwork has been completed for the CA and we are awaiting the Notice to Proceed.
- Wall of Honor - South Side - A committee has been formed; the estimated cost is \$3,500. Discussions include an electronic board in lieu of a display of plaques and awards.

- Capital Projects other - This is the line item designated for future endeavors and planning to assist/cover expenses that may not be supported by SCHCA to improve and/or maintain our facilities. \$20,000 has been committed.

**Bucket Brigade Updates**                      **Chris Scott**

- The Bucket Brigade activities have been suspended due to recent developments brought to the attention of the group and the CA. This will result in disruptions and delays to the improvements that have benefited the membership in countless ways. This group of hard working dedicated individuals are now prohibited from continuing their efforts to improve and maintain our courts and green spaces until further notice. Chris and others will continue to work with the CA, who supports the efforts of this group, to find a path forward that will allow activities to be reinstated without disruptions and/or interference.

**Club Championship Suggestions**        **Chris Scott**

- Chris provided a list to the Board with suggested improvements and opportunities to be considered for the Club Championship in 2025. The Board appreciates the efforts and concern provided to ensure the Club Championship remains to be the highlight tournament to end the year.

**Club Championship Update**                **Dudley Kay**

- First day of Championship Play will begin Monday, November 11, 2024 (Veteran's Day)
- Will be using the combined ages; 118 players between the ages of 57 and 81 results in a median age of 70. Times are noon, 2:00 and 4:00 pm. Subsequent to the meeting, the beginning schedule of players and times was sent out through email.
- Chuck Hirsch championed the idea and George Kreick created the Plaques that will be presented to the winners; a wooden plaque with a tennis ball that will be attached. Runners' Up will be presented with a medallion.

**Timeline Remainder 2024**                      **Michael Sacks**

Michael presented the timeline showing all required activities per the By-Laws has successfully been completed. A copy will be included with the minutes.

**New Business**                                      **Tyler Tollstrup**

- **Printed Directories** - USTA released their ratings for USTA membership. A new directory is being planned and will be printed shortly. If anyone has received a new/change in their USTA rating, please notify Michael Sacks so that your appropriate rating can be displayed in the directory.
- **Updated Ratings Policy** - was approved by the membership through electronic voting and will be effective 1/1/2025. The SCA Policy and Procedure manual will be updated with this new information and available on the website shortly.

**Spring Lottery**                                      **Steve Sandike**

- Volunteers have stepped up to assist Steve with scheduling for the upcoming Spring lottery session;

- Anyone who would like to learn and/or assist Steve with activities that he has been providing to the membership for tournaments and sign-ups, please reach out to Steve.
- Court Maintenance will begin again in 2025 and is available on the Club Calendar on the SCTA website. THIS IS NOT CHELSEA related, but a separate calendar maintained on the website to assist with updates and planning for the courts. The membership is strongly encouraged to review the calendar to prevent surprises. Activities are planned and updated MONTHS in advance.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 8, 2025; Lakehouse Bayside Room.

Meeting adjourned at 6:57 pm