

EVSTL SENIOR TENNIS LEAGUE

March 26, 2013

President Ruth Swanson called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. at Sunland Village. Roll call was taken with sixteen clubs responding, constituting a quorum. President Swanson introduced the Executive Committee members. Each Club President/Voting representative introduced themselves and others from their respective parks.

MINUTES OF JANUARY 29, 2013

Brona Freeman, Secretary/Treasurer moved to accept the minutes as posted on the website. A motion was made by Dee Brosowski, SSV and seconded by Rick Harmsen, SV to accept the minutes as posted. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's report was given by Brona Freeman showing an expenditure of \$150.00 to the website manager for the EVSTL website. Current bank balance is \$271.83. Report was accepted as presented and filed for audit.

OLD BUSINESS

President Swanson reported that with the retirement of Hal Cohen, 1.5 Coordinator, the league is still in need of and looking for his replacement. She encouraged each park to actively encourage their tennis players to consider filling this much position.

NEW BUSINESS

Kline Wilson, Vice President recommended a change be made to By-law V, Duties of League Officers. Specifically, By-law V, B3, delete "November and March". With the change to the By-law, the V.P. would coordinate a Census for the league in January. In reference to By-law V, C3, remove the words "for the fall schedule and December 15th for the winter schedule." A motion was made by Vickki Dillon, SVE and seconded by Sam Kowalko, GFV. Motion carried.

President Swanson stated that some parks are having difficulty forming teams, especially at the beginning of the tennis season. She, along with Kline Wilson, V.P. suggested a change be made to By-law VIII, J3 to help alleviate team shortages. With the approval required by By-law XI, E, the change would be implemented at the beginning of 2013/14 season. Suggested wording is:

VIII, J3. Due to player shortage:

- a. If a member club cannot form even one team at any given level but has players for that level, those players may play for another EVSTL member club on a “permanent” basis. Those players must commit to playing for the ONE team for the season and MUST be placed on that team’s roster. (NOTE: All players must be a resident of an EVSTL member park.) Alternatively, the member club short a few players to form a team may borrow players on a “permanent” basis from another club to fill out a team. Again, those players must commit to playing for that ONE team for the season and MUST be placed on that team’s roster. (NOTE: All players must be a resident of an EVSTL member park.) Player transfers must be approved by both clubs.

After much discussion, it was stipulated that approval is required by both clubs involved. A motion was made by Tom Arnold, VDO and seconded by Dale Brooks, MR, to change By-law VIII, J3 as aforementioned. Motion carried 100%.

Continued concern was expressed by President Swanson of the numbers of team players required at each level. As requested, Mel Frantz, EVSTL scheduler, with the help of Kline Wilson, V.P., prepared and showed a media presentation reflecting the census of each park’s players by gender. Based on the numbers, there is an indication that the league needs to reconsider how it is currently structured and possibly consider dividing it into 2 leagues, one for men and one for women. President Swanson asked all clubs to keep an open mind. This presentation was intended to be used as “Food for Thought”.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Warren Peterson, AW/VV, stated that their club now has a 4.0 team.

Dale Miller, SSV, shared some information concerning Maricopa County’s inspections and costs associated with serving food at events such as tournaments. He encouraged each park to inquire with Maricopa on the guidelines.

PRESIDENT COMMENTS

All clubs were reminded by President Swanson that the Position One status was due by March 22 and that some clubs have not yet submitted the information. She also asked that each club use the form on the website to prepare and submit this information.

President Swanson thanked all clubs’ representatives for the outstanding support during the 2012/13 season. She specifically thanked Henri Rochette, website manager and Huey Burk, EVSTL Historian for their dedication and excellent work in fulfilling their responsibilities.

Kline Wilson, President for 2013/14 stated that he looking forward to the next season. He feels it is an honor to serve as the President and working with all of the dedicated people in the league.

The meetings for 2013/14 will be held on October 29, 2013, Jan 28, 2014 and March 25, 2014 at Tower Point.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Brona Freeman

Secretary/Treasurer