

MINUTES
THE EDGEBROOK CLUB
Tennis Committee Meeting
September 20th, 2023

Call to order: 6:06pm

Attendance: [X] Lainie Dickson, [] Rajive Kilambi, [] Paul Moosman, [] Linda Reichenbach, [] Cindy Hastings, [X] Mary Chi, [], Bryan Cossette, [X] Jeff Howard, [] Kevin Larson, [] Michael Ko, [X] Paul Cho, [] Ranjit Prabhu, [] Luisa Gass, [X] Chauntelle Johnson, [X] Kaitlyn Rohr

Current/New Business:

1. Review of Previous Meeting Minutes
2. Cups Updates:
 - Lainie reporting all seems to be going well, second week in.
 - Chauntelle says there were 10-12 appeals this year compared to about two only in years past.
3. Social Events
 - Calcutta:
 - i. Auction & Draw: 10/28, 5-7pm
 - ii. Tournament: 11/3-11/5
 - iii. Discussion: Non-members participating as players?
 1. Concensus of group was no to non-member participating in Calcutta, but waitlist could be used if a player drops out or we need someone for even men/women. For other tournaments, use of non-members could be okay.
4. USTA Updates:
 - Under USTA, I'd like to discuss the topic of testing having a tournament level and rotational level team for edgebrook where we put our best players, determined by the club, together in certain levels where we typically have 2 teams, with the goal of going to the playoffs. - Jeff
 - i. Jeff brought this topic to the committee for discussion from his tennis peers; would like to see Edgebrook teams compete and represent at championships, nationals, etc.
 - ii. Discussion points: Pros or the club should not be responsible for creating competitive teams as it would allow for critics and

comments back to the pros; discussed past times when competitive teams were forming and it created some bad blood between members when individuals were poaching members for different teams and not notifying. Overall, group agreed it's a big burden on the club/pros to notify who qualifies for said teams. One committee member shared an experience when she played on competitive teams at another club and enjoyed it. Noted it worked with captains being the one choosing the players, while the coach (pros) would only assist with once-a-week practice. Suggests setting limits for number of teams since they would require court space if we decide to do this.

- iii. Chauntelle reiterated the importance of not waiting until the last minute to form teams and can assist with gathering teams to create enough space for all to play but needs to be notified in advance. Chauntelle suggests captains interested in forming teams should send out a notice to express interest they are looking for people interested in playing on a competitive team that would look to be playing at playoffs, let interested people come to you. Also states it's important to set expectations and send her a roster once team has been formed for when others reach out asking for teams looking for members. Notes it may be time to send out reminders for USTA etiquette (no poaching players, etc.)

5. Tennis Facility Update

- July Court Usage: 64%
- Lighting and installation update: workers confirmed they think we should be able to get away with utilizing only one court closed at a time for the duration of the work. Lighting parts should be in in about 10 days and the rest should continue moving along. Mid-October estimated end for work.
- Guest Use Policy Limits for Fall?:
 - i. Questions arise with guests who are here often for court use, would other equity members be able to use the courts instead during those high-usage times? Points of emphasis during discussion included payment/income for guests who use often vs. member dues; Members bringing in others to teach for lessons on our courts; When are the non-members mostly repeating use? 6pm weekday or daytime or 10:30pm?; Comments stating the key differences of members vs guests is that they don't get access to the facility when they want vs. Only when they're invited; Chauntelle expresses the difference between types of repeat guests: people who have just

moved and are thinking of joining vs. Someone who sold their membership and still having the same amount of usage after

- ii. One committee member would support having a cap on number of times but still the capability; another suggested maybe having high-usage times off limits for bringing guests but understands that would put more work on the front desk; another committee member agreed that a reasonable cap on the amount of times per month people could visit would be beneficial - Members asking same guest on repeat doesn't allow for people to need to interact/find others in the club to play with; another member suggests annual cap vs monthly cap.
 - iii. Chauntelle states they used to have a rule where people were not able to play on a USTA team until 1 full year after they have sold their membership - could be a good/helpful rule to bring back; confirmed the data shared does not include USTA matches.
 - iv. Overall consensus: Send to the Board for further discussion and decision.
6. Paul Cho Tennis Staffing Update: James – new tennis assistant helping in Junior Program.
 7. Flights – nothing to report

Next Meeting: November 15th. 5-6PM (instead of 6-7) - This date will ha

Adjourn: 7:01pm