

Spearfish Tennis Association

Minutes

February 7, 2017

Present: Doug Dexheimer, Joe Doerges, Kyle Doerges, Alex Johnson; Mary Burket, Kent Meyers, Susie Mondloch. Members Absent: Don Bakeberg, Sue Hauff, Doug Stevens,

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by President, Joe Doerges.

The agenda for this meeting was reviewed and approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The following amendments to the minutes of the December 1, 2016 meeting were proposed. Sierra Hauff should be recognized as a "student representative". The name of John Roberts should be added to those absent. **Motion was made by Kyle Doerges, seconded by Dexheimer and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2016 meeting with the aforementioned changes. Upon vote taken thereon, the motion passed unanimously.**

TREASURER'S REPORT/BILL:

Motion was made by Meyer seconded by Johnson to approve the treasurer's report as presented by Kyle Doerges as follows:

BHSU:	\$3,644.03
PB&T:	\$1,312.33
School:	\$13,054.51

REPORTS

Monday Night Tennis:

Dexheimer reported that participation really varies at this point.

Middle School Courts:

J. Doerges reported that eleven (11) middle school students are consistently participating in practices at this time. USTA grant funds totaling \$10,000 has been received and is reflected in the school district account balance. Interstate Engineering submitted a bill in the amount of \$265 for professional services for an engineer's design of the middle school backboard installation project. The fee has since been waived.

Winter Clinic/Lessons:

Dexheimer reported good youth participation in tennis lessons. There are currently eight (8) children in the age 3-5 sessions; eleven (11) participants in the age 6-8 sessions; and twelve (12) participants in the age 9-11 bracket. Although Doug Stevens was unable to attend this meeting, Dexheimer reported on his behalf. Stevens reported good participation, hard-working kids, and many players are returning from prior year's clinics. He credits Alex Johnson for getting the middle school athletes excited about tennis.

Dexheimer expressed appreciation to Meyer for repairs to a net that got broke.

Sunday Afternoon Tennis:

This program will begin February 19 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. J. Doerges is placing flyers at various locations.

HS/MS Tennis:

Dexheimer reported that Boys tennis begins on March 13 with the first meet scheduled for April 1st.

USTA Northern Community Tennis Grant

Mondloch reported having had conversations with an individual interested in assisting with the grant application and obtaining the 501.c.3 status working toward establishing an official middle school tennis program. Grant funds are awarded for three consecutive years with the school district funding the program thereafter. There was discussion regarding lighting installation at the middle school courts and resurfacing the high school courts.

Winter Newsletter

No report was given at this time.

Host USTA School Workshop

Johnson reported the school district approved the tennis equipment he proposed during the middle school budget process. Dexheimer encouraged Johnson to pursue additional equipment acquisition through the USTA as there are many "2 for 1" opportunities for equipment.

Spring Membership Drive

There was brief discussion regarding membership drive activities conducted in the past. Memberships are up and dues are a valuable source of income. Tennis play dates and tournaments are among the conditions of the grant. Meyer suggested forming a small subcommittee to include J. Doerges and Dexheimer meet to identify dates and finalize the drive details.

Election of Officers

Motion was made by Mondloch and seconded by Dexheimer to approve the following appointments: President, TBD; Vice President, Doug Stevens; Secretary, Kent Meyers; Treasurer, Kyle Doerges. Joe Doerges' term as president will be extended to the next meeting, pending conversations with board members absent from this meeting regarding their interest in the position of president. Mondloch was directed to approach an individual she described who might be interested in serving on the board.

Other Business

Dexheimer reported it recently became necessary to lock the gates on the south courts due to ice buildup resulting from the hockey group filling the newly established rink. He reported having heard rumor of construction of an indoor rec facility at Exit 17 that might include hockey and tennis facilities.

The next STA Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 9, 2017 at 6:30pm.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.