

MINUTES
Spearfish Tennis Association
April 29, 2019
Young Center – Hall of Fame Room – 6:30pm

Present: Joe Doerges, Kent Meyers, Kyle Doerges, , Susie Mondloch ,Paul Soriano, Doug Dexheimer, Beth Bentley, Steve Reichert

Absent: John Roberts, Doug Stevens, Pat Salcone

- I. Call to Order: 6:35 by Paul.
- II. Approve Agenda: Susie moved to approve, Doug seconded. Unanimous approval.
- III. Approve Minutes: Susie moved to approve, Steve seconded. Unanimous approval..
- IV. Approve Treasurer's Report/Bills: Joe reported that the Pioneer account has \$1288.54, the BH account \$1140.65, and the High school account \$13,054.51; we made \$80.00 from Middle-school T-shirt sales; we need to reimburse Joe for \$119.28 for money he spent on T-shirts. Doug moved, Beth seconded that we approve the Treasurer's report. Unanimous approval. Doug move, Steve seconded that we reimburse Joe \$119.28 for MS T-shirts. Unanimous approval.
- V. Reports
 - HS/MS Tennis – Doug sees improvement in the varsity tennis program. The state tournament is April 15-18 in Sioux Falls. Joe has eight MS players who show up consistently. They're getting better, but it's hard to keep them on task. Susie and Paul frequently assist.
 - Update – HS Tennis Nets: Joe noted that the nets are 14 years old and need replacement; he recommends we buy Streamliner nets with rope at the bottom. They are a little more expensive but more durable. We could then use the old nets during the winter and preserve the new ones longer. He has discussed it with the HS activities director, who has agreed to share the cost half-and-half with us, so that our share would \$735.94, according to present estimates. Susie moved, Beth seconded that we split the cost of six new Streamliner nets with the high school, and take the money from our account there. Unanimous approval.
 - Update – Restroom Facility: Beth and Paul visited with Kirk Easton at the high school. He doesn't think it's feasible to build stand-alone restrooms for the tennis courts but proposed that, since the district is constructing a building for technical education just east of the courts, they could design it with bathrooms that had outside entrances accessible to people using the courts. He is also considering the idea of designing the building with storage for some of our equipment. Finally,

they discussed the possibility of adding coaching staff, but nothing definite came of it. Beth and Doug discussed the Spartan Booster Club's new financial distribution system involving grants written by the coaches. Doug and Joe suggested that a ball machine would be a useful thing for the program, and if we contributed toward it, it would be available to our members. Doug moved and Steve seconded writing a grant for this purpose and intent. Unanimous approval.

- Spring Block Party: Joe passed around a sign up sheet to work on the various committees needed to make the Block party—June 8—function well. There was a general discussion about what needed to be done in terms of publicity.
- Summer Youth Tennis Tournament: This tournament is scheduled for June 29-30. Joe summarized the work that had to be done to prepare and passed out a sheet describing the committees required. The sanction fee is \$90.00 this year. Steve volunteered to look into the possibility of getting corporate sponsor(s) for the tournament. .
- Summer Camps/Activities: The city is no longer going to support tennis through the summer rec program. Doug is considering running tennis camps later in the summer. Susie reported that the Rec Center wants to run a racket-sports program and would like our help, but consensus was that it was better to just run our own programs.

VI. Other Business: We agreed to change our Sunday night summer tennis play to Thursday nights, beginning at 7:00 PM. Junior team tennis did not draw enough interest last year to encourage any of us to continue it. Kyle and Paul suggested that we promote going to adult tournaments and look into running our own adult tournament next summer. Paul will contact Brock at the DYC to discuss getting new lines painted on those courts.

VII. Next Meeting: June 3, 6:30 in DYC Hall of Fame room. Adjourned at 7:57.

VIII. Adjourn