

**Minutes**  
**Spearfish Tennis Association**  
**February 11, 2020**  
**Young Center – Hall of Fame Room – 6:30pm**

Present: Joe Doerges, Kent Meyers, Kyle Doerges, Paul Soriano, Doug Stevens, Beth Bentley, Pat Salcone, Susie Mondloch.

Absent: John Roberts, Steve Reichert, Doug Dexheimer.

- I. Call to Order: 6: 35.
- II. Approve Tonight's Agenda: Susie moved to approve, Beth seconded. Unanimous.
- III. Approve Minutes from Last Meeting: Doug Stevens moved to approve, Pat seconded. Unanimous.
- IV. Approve Treasurer's Report/Bills
  - Annual Treasurer's Report: Joe reported that we are down \$102.82 for the year, but that includes paying half the cost of the high school nets and an SSL certificate required for online payments. We brought in \$2932.18 and had expenses of \$3035.02. Year-end balances: \$13054.41 in the school account, \$1256.55 in the BHSU account, and \$1075.01 in the Pioneer account, for a total of \$15, 386.07. Beth moved, Kyle seconded approving the Treasurer's report. Unanimous approval. The board thanks Joe for donating the web-page work.
  - Current Income/Bills: We made \$1608.56 and spent \$631.60. Kyle moved and Susie seconded approval to pay the following bills: \$51.60 to reimburse Joe Doerges for buying the meals for the HOF recipients at the presentation banquet; \$5.00 to Steve Reichert for a Jr. clinic refund and \$20.00 to Pam Heisler for the same reason; \$5.00 to Nicole Dana-Samuelsen for a kids' clinic refund; \$250.00 to Doug Stevens and \$100.00 to Cale Meissler for clinic instruction; and the rental bill for the DYC fieldhouse for clinic instruction (invoice not yet received but will be approximately \$200.00). The motion included approval for the Treasurer to move the money generated from the clinics to the BHSU account in the amounts of \$765.00 and \$535.32 respectively from Doug S.'s and Doug D.'s clinics. The motion passed unanimously, with Doug S. abstaining.
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  - Membership Update: 10 people paid for 2020. 25 paid through 2019. Thus we have 35 paid memberships, which is just slightly down from previous years.
- V. Other Reports
  - Winter Lessons (Attendance, Income, Expense) Doug S. reported that he had 13 participants, all girls, and that it went well. The courts were filled, maximizing the rental cost, and he had good help in Cole Miessler.

- HS/MS Tennis: Susie reported that the young-age winter clinic had five participants in each group and went well, with an even mix of boys and girls. The varsity season starts March 6 and MS practice will probably begin March 16. Joe is looking for any help people can offer.
- BHSU Club Tennis: Doug S.: No news.

#### VI. Old Business

- Resurfacing Courts: We received a second bid, from Evergreen, for \$56,000, \$9000.00 higher than our other bid. We will try to get on next summer's (2021) budget cycle for the city and the school and work on USTA and USTA-Northern grants.
- 501(c)3 Status
  - Vote to Approve of By-Law Changes: Doug S. explained the changes he is recommending to the bylaws and Articles of Incorporation in order to bring them into line with 501c3 requirements. Susie moved, Kyle seconded approving the changes as shown on the draft and as discussed by Doug. Approval was unanimous. Doug will make the changes permanent, and we will file copies as needed.
  - Vote to Approve \$600 501c3 Application Fee: Susie moved, Beth seconded approving this fee and going forward with the application. Approval was unanimous. Joe will pay this from the Pioneer account.
  - STA Auditing: No action taken.
  - CPA Review: No action taken.
  - Background Checks: Joe discussed the USTA's NetGeneration website for free background checks, and the PlaySafe training videos for renewal. The board took no formal action, but there was general agreement that board members, and anyone we ask to work with our youth programs, should get a background check. It costs nothing to the individual.

#### VII. New Business

- Summer Tournaments: We decided to hold a two-day, non-USTA-sanctioned youth tournament, with the possibility of an adult recreation tournament linked to it, on July 18-19. Kyle, Beth, Joe, Doug S., and Susie volunteered to be on the committee to work on this. The board gave the committee power to make decisions as needed.
- Summer Programs: Doug D. is willing to do the summer evenings program again. We discussed a flex league for adults, and Joe would like to get youth playing in a league. We also discussed having an evening for doubles play. The tournament committee will discuss and recommend.
- HOF Guidelines: Paul handed out a copy of a draft for Hall-of-Fame nomination guidelines. Doug moved and Pat seconded approving the guidelines. The motion passed unanimously. The guidelines are attached to these minutes, and Joe will post them on the website.
- USTA Meeting on February 6: Joe, Doug S., Susie, Paul attended a breakfast meeting with USTA representatives. They were impressed with the work we do and invited us to send representatives to their November meeting in Minneapolis next year to present to

other groups about our organization and program. The board took no action on this but will consider it at a later date. It is possible the USTA has some travel funds available.

- Election of STA Officers: Paul, Kyle, Joe, and Kent all volunteered to continue as President, Vice-president, Treasurer, and Secretary respectively. Doug S moved to approve this slate of officers, Susie seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
- Other: Susie and Kyle will attend a meeting with city representatives on Feb. 26 to discuss coordination of court and field space in the city.
- Kyle noted that the SDHSAC is considering moving the soccer season to spring and is concerned about what such a move will do to tennis. The board took no action but will keep this issue on its radar.

VIII. Next Meeting: Monday, April 27, 6:30, DYC center.

IX. Adjourn: 8:48.

## **Spearfish Tennis Association Hall of Fame**

### 1.) Hall of Fame Structure

- Annually at its fall meeting, the Spearfish Tennis Association (STA) Board may nominate and select inductee(s) into the STA Hall of Fame.
- Nominations may only be made by an STA Board member, however, input from others outside of the Board is encouraged.
- For a candidate to be inducted into the STA Hall of Fame, he/she must receive a simple majority vote in favor by the Board members present and voting at the fall meeting.

### 2.) Hall of Fame Presentation

- If no persons are nominated as a Hall of Fame inductee at the fall meeting, nominations may be made the following year.
- The Hall of Fame award presentation(s) will be made in conjunction with the annual STA social event.
- Since there is no physical structure, i.e., Hall of Fame, a framed certificate or plaque shall be awarded and given to the inductee.

### 3.) Hall of Fame Criteria

- The Board shall consider a candidate's outstanding service and overall contribution to the sport of tennis in determining a candidate's eligibility for induction into the Hall of Fame.
- Without limiting the above criteria, the Board may consider a candidate's individual record of competitive achievement and ability, integrity, sportsmanship and character.
- To be nominated for STA Hall of Fame, a student-athlete must have graduated from his/her last level of scholastic competition a minimum of 5 years.

- To be nominated for STA Hall of Fame, a coach or administrator must have been in that position for a minimum of 5 years.
- To be nominated for STA Hall of Fame, a candidate must be a resident or former resident of Spearfish, South Dakota.