

Medicine Hat Tennis Club
November 23, 2023
MINUTES

Attendance: Riley Danroth, Messele Fentabil, Linda Norris, Sandy McIntosh, Rose Paulgaard, Erin Ferris, CoraLee Riehl, Noel Thomas, Lyle Garrecht, Murray Trollope, Ken Clement

1. Approval of Agenda - Riley

Motion: Riley

2nd: CoraLee

Carried.

2. Treasurer's Report – Linda

Balance total in bank for both accounts is \$62,495.00.

Signing Officers: Ken, Linda, Riley and Sandy. Will need to meet at bank in January to set up for signing purposes.

Casino Account: After the addition of this years' lights in the spring/summer, we will not have any large projects coming from the casino account, therefore we will need to start spending casino monies on other expenses that are allowed to be used from casino funds.

Membership Fees: These fees are used for day to day expenses.

3. Club Operations

Juniors - Rose:

We need to make sure that we have enough coaches for the Junior Program. Rose will have forms available for registration February 1. Talk of expanding junior parent involvement in playing tennis.

Communications - Erin:

Rose will discuss the process of the communications with Erin and pass on any information Erin may require.

Tournaments:

2023 Winter Classic – December 30th, 2023 at the Big Marble Go Center. Will use the same format as last year. Morning will be Intermediate with a cap of six teams and

afternoon will be the Open with a cap of six teams. Teams can consist of any mixture – two ladies, two men, or mixed. \$35.00 a person.

Motion by Linda – 2nd by Noel. Carried - To wrap up the tournament name “Renato Franchetto Memorial” after this year as it has been ten years, and call it the Winter Classic.

26th Annual Barrie Shave Tournament

Motion by Linda – 2nd Noel. Carried – To wrap up the tournament name “Barrie Shave Memorial” after this year as it has been 25 years, and call it the Father’s Day Classic.

With the change of name, discussion took place of possibly scaling the tournament back in certain ways which could include not raising funds for the Margery Yuill Cancer Centre. When a tournament co-ordinator is in place more discussion will take place as to what the options may be.

Was mentioned that perhaps we send out letters early January to our donors letting them know about the change in format. We would still ask for donations and have a donor board up for the donations that we would receive.

Maintenance & Capital Projects

The clubhouse is now closed. Nets on Courts 4 and 5 are in rough shape and need to be replaced. Ken will contact the city.

Noel and his helpers will redo the floor in the clubhouse during the winter.

Noel is looking into putting a screen up on the south end of the back deck so when we have our tournaments, and if we have entertainment, the sun can be blocked so people are not looking into the sun.

The cost of the new lights will be \$46,000. Ken is waiting to hear back from the CFEP grant.

4. Club Calendar for 2024

Calendar dates were discussed.

Was decided to have the Try Tennis Event every other year as our social media seems to be working well.

The City Singles Tournament will wrap up on Sunday
Medicine Hat Open Singles and Doubles Tournament will run Wednesday to Sunday

Members Social will go Thursday, June 6 instead of Friday. Rest of schedule basically remains the same as last year.

5. **New Business**

Club Bylaws

Ken and Linda are going over the Bylaws which have not been updated since 1990. They will have more information at our next meeting.

Transition of club organization

Ken and Linda have put together a package which shows the organization of the club and the Manager's duties, and are in the works of lessening the load of this position, e.g. by creating coordinator positions. More discussion will take place at our next meeting. If you have any suggestions/ideas as to items that can be changed, contact Ken or Linda.

New Co-ordinator positions:

Once determination has been made as to Co-ordinator positions, the club membership will be notified to see if we can fill the positions. Communications will send out a notification to our members in January/February pertaining to the transition of the club organization.

ADJOURNED: 9:05 pm