

**Lincoln Hills Tennis Group
Bi-Annual Membership and
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

December 3, 2021

Present: Steve Bringman, Helen Berott, Joel Baynes, Eric Butler, Patti Kingston, Sarah Solberg, Pam Flaherty, Mary Beth Quallick, Greg Burke, Jim Bowden and numerous T.G. members.

The meeting was called to order by President Steve Bringman at 1pm. Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the November 15 meeting.

The Group had a moment of silence to remember Jack Williams' wife Jan, who recently passed away.

Presidents Report: Steve reviewed the LHTG Mission Statement and then introduced the new 2022 Board and reviewed the duties of each. New additions to the Board include Mary Beth Quallick, who will handle court maintenance; Pam Flaherty, who will write the articles for the Compass and Sun City Senior News. At Large Member Jim Bowden will help out with tournaments and all other areas. Greg Burke has agreed to be liaison to the Properties and Finance Committees, as well as the SCLH Board of Directors. Miguel Codina will continue to assist with tournaments.

Finance Director Report: Eric reviewed the current state of our finances, noting that after holiday luncheon expenses, we should finish the year with about \$1600 in the bank. Membership dues for 2022 have gone back up to \$15/person. We now have a web-based payment system that can be used for annual dues as well as other payments.

What's Happening: In January Steve will be offering training classes for new and returning tennis players on Court 11. This Fall we had a SATA team host four matches at 10am on Thursdays, which did not interfere with residents' play. We hope to have more teams in the Spring. Starting in January we will have at least two USTA 65+ teams playing here. A new hitting wall has been ordered and will be installed in the Spring. The ball machine will be replaced

in the coming year. The old ball machine will be donated to a local high school team. Some members have requested that we have tournaments on the weekend so that those that still work can participate. Upcoming events and 2022 tournament schedule was reviewed:

Wednesday 12/8: Men's Luncheon

Friday 12/10: Women's Luncheon

Thursday, 3/17: St. Patrick's Tournament

Thursday, 5/5: Cinco de Mayo Mixed Doubles

Saturday 6/4: Singles Tourney

Saturday 9/10: Men's Championship

Saturday 9/17: Women's Championship

Saturday Oct 29: Oktoberfest

Open Forum: A member questioned why attendance at the women's luncheon was limited. It was explained that late in the season the selected venue (Turkey Creek) cancelled the reservation we had made six months earlier. There were few reasonable alternatives and the best one had limited space. The luncheon will be at the Solarium at Orchard Creek. The member also questioned why there had been a limit on the number of participants in the tournaments, commenting that that may have discouraged players from entering. It was explained that no players were turned away because the max number was increased as more entries were received. (Not mentioned at the meeting was the fact that the Tournament Director had received complaints from players that they had to wait too long to play, and therefore were not going to participate.)

The meeting was adjourned.

Helen Berott, Communications Director