

# **Greater Portland City League Tennis Meeting Minutes**

January 15, 2015

**I. Call to order**

Patricia McKinnon called the Greater Portland City League Tennis Association board meeting to order at 10:35 am on January 15, 2015 at Multnomah Athletic Club.

**II. Roll call**

Members present were: Patricia McKinnon, Donna Walker, Nikki Nadig, Susan Bozarth, Sherri Moore, Elaine Sibley, Loralee Campbell, Melissa Light, Maggie Creps, Joni Hinton. Members absent were: Ann Cassin and Karey Welling.

**III. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

Recording Secretary: Nikki Nadig

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	A small change was suggested and accepted. Elaine moved and Sherri 2 <sup>nd</sup> to approve the November 20, 2014 minutes. Corrected minutes approved unanimously.
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>	November captains' minutes to be posted to website.

**IV. Officer Reports:**

Website Coordinator: Joni Hinton for Ann Cassin

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Joni reported that the website reorganization has been completed, and all scores for the first half of the season have been posted. Mid-season registration will begin on Friday, January 16.
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>	No actions necessary.

Vice President: Donna Walker

**Captains' Brunch**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Donna asked for suggestions for the theme and gifts for division winners.
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>	Donna will check with Karey regarding the brunch budget.

**V. Old business:**

**Nike Employee Store Pass**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Patricia reported that Sean Eberle was able to help us get an invitation to the Nike Employee Store, tentatively set for late January. As soon as a date is confirmed, division reps will notify captains.
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>	Division reps to notify captains of shopping dates.

**Matches Scheduled Thanksgiving Week**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Patricia reported that she spoke for over an hour with Debbie Johnson regarding possible solutions and ramifications of moving matches scheduled for Thanksgiving week. Patricia also informally surveyed approximately 40 players and captains, the majority of whom would prefer to leave the schedule as is with teams having the option to reschedule, rather than having more back-to-back matches or adding a week at the end of the season. Susan reported that captains and facility directors with whom she consulted agreed that Thanksgiving week matches are difficult. After a lengthy discussion by the board, Patricia suggested leaving the schedule as is, but having the division reps be more proactive at the beginning of the season to help teams reschedule any Thanksgiving matches to another week if they choose to do so.
<b>CONCLUSION</b>	Division reps will work with captains at the beginning of the season to facilitate rescheduling matches scheduled for Thanksgiving week.

**VI. New business**

**Resolution Coordinator: Susan Bozarth  
Informal Complaint A Division**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Susan explained a situation that occurred between Club Green Meadows (home team) and Tualatin Hills on January 7, 2015. A misunderstanding occurred when the captain for CGM failed to communicate to the TH captain that six courts were available at the match start time. TH defaulted one position in advance of the match, but did not have three teams ready to play at the match start time. After discussion, the board decided to review and possibly refine the sections of the rules and regulations that deal with court availability, order of play and defaults. The board may also draft a template for home team captains to use when communicating with their opponents regarding match start time, number of courts available, etc. Susan also volunteered to bring back the “new captains clinic” at the August brunch to go over these and other issues for new captains.
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>	Susan will write a letter to both captains clarifying the rules, and will add these issues to the rules and regulations review in the spring.

**Informal Complaint J Division**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Susan summarized the situation that occurred in a match between Mountain Park and Stafford Hills #3 on January 13, 2015. The MP captain asked for clarification regarding match arrival and start times, as she felt the SH #3 captain and her team were not ready to play at the scheduled match start time. The MP captain also asked whether she was within her rights as captain to assess a penalty for delaying the match. The board discussed what it means to be “ready to play” at match start time: line-ups exchanged and teams are moving to courts to begin; and whether the loss of the toss and one set is excessive in a delay of less than five minutes. These issues will be reviewed in the spring.
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>	Susan will write a letter to both captains clarifying the rules regarding match arrival and start times, as well as penalties for delay. She will add these issues to the review of rules and regulations in the spring. Patricia will include clarification of these rules in a mid-season email to captains.

**VII. Adjournment**

Patricia McKinnon adjourned the meeting at 12:40p.m.

Next meeting: February 19, 2015, 10:30 AM

Minutes submitted by: Nikki Nadig, Reporting Secretary

Minutes approved on: February 19, 2015