

**Greater Portland City League Tennis
Summary of Captains Minutes
October 15th, 2009
Multnomah Athletic Club**

Call to Order: President Beth Burczak called the meeting to order at 9:18 am. Board members attending: Beth Burczak, Becky Edwards, Mary Davis, Kazzie Young, Jean Davidson, Donna Hanlon, Debbie Johnson, Sue Stone, Betsy Ouchida and Julie Hanson. Absent were Leslie Ballard and Elaine Silbley.

Approval of Agenda: The agenda of the October 15th, 2009 board meeting was approved.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the September 17th, 2009 board meeting were approved.

President's Report: No report.

Vice President's Report: The 2010 Captain's Brunch has been reserved at MAC for August 11th at 9:30 – 11:30 am.

Treasurer's Report: The September monthly statement was distributed.

Website coordinator report: A D-Division team had been penalized for using a substitute player who had not been identified as a legal substitute.

An A-Division team had been penalized for using a player who was found to be not on the team roster. The captain of this team was notified by the board that the player found to be illegal may be added to the roster at the mid-season register. However, the board subsequently decided to conduct votes by email to determine if this particular player should be reinstated effective immediately rather than making her wait until the mid-season to register. The majority voted for immediate reinstatement of the player. The reason for conducting votes was based on the fact that the player had been removed from the roster entirely because of a clerical error.

In an effort to establish guidelines for rectifying clerical registration problems such as the case above, an amendment to the Rules and Regulations was proposed. The proposed amendment would enable captains an extended time period to add players after the registration deadline. The board will review the proposal and discuss it at a future meeting. In a coordinated effort to improve the registration process, the website coordinators will explore the possibility of website improvements so that clerical errors during the player registration will be minimized.

There were fifty-six substitutions and five defaults in September. It was addressed that some captains find it difficult to monitor how many times each substitute had been used. A website enhancement to monitor substitution activities will be explored.

The website has been improved to allow partial score entries. This new feature will enable us to keep count of every game played including the games from incomplete matches.

The score entry procedure for rescheduled matches was clarified. The website is not set up to accept score entry until the original match date. Hence, scores need to be reported directly to the website coordinator if a match was rescheduled earlier than the originally scheduled date. The website coordinator will then enter the scores on behalf of the captain after the original match date.

Corresponding Secretary Report: The “Thank You” letters were sent for the NIKE employee store passes.

Division Rep Reports:

- **A-Division illegal substitution:** An A-Division home team player was reported to be illegal due to the fact that she is not a member of the home team Club. However, it was argued that the team is a public team while being hosted by that particular private club for a fee. The public teams should be able to draw substitute players from any other club because there is no lower team and no other club members. This argument supports the player in question as a legal substitute even though she is not a member of the home team. A motion was made to penalize the A-Division team for using an illegal player. Motion failed.

New Business:

- **Logo Clothing proposal** - Three logo samples were shown. The T-shirt design ideas and its use were discussed.
- **Conducting Votes by Email** - It was agreed by the board that having discussions before voting is important, therefore voting by email will not be conducted in the future.
- **New Team List** – The updated wait list will be emailed to all the clubs. The email will also remind them that a new team request must be sent to the board if a club wishes to be put on the wait list.
- **Officer’s Terms** – A proposed bylaws change will be submitted to clarify the start date of the board members for the term of office.

Next Meeting: November 19th, 2009 at 9:15 am at MAC.

Adjourned: at 10:57 am.

Kazzie Young - Recording Secretary