

Minutes – LATC Board Meeting Wednesday June 6, 2007

Meeting called to order at 7:35 p.m. Attending Beth Watt, Pat Frischmann, Mary Ann Weingartner, Doris Lehr, Frank Smyth, Jack Bates.

The board accepted the April 4 meeting minutes and amended May 2 minutes

The board accepted the **Treasurer's** report. Beth Watt gave the final accounting for April membership dinner and general meeting. Cost was \$1,129 for food, facility rental, and decoration. Seventy-five people attended.

Membership chair Mary Ann Weingartner reported 134 members as of May 31, 2007 – 70% Los Altos residents and 70% female.

Relay for Life: Doris Lehr stated that the June 5 event at Fiesta Vallerta raised \$1,500 for Relay for Life. People also bought \$500 worth of tickets for the benefit drawing.

Tournament director Frank Smyth said that 26 people had signed up for the June 16 Smash Cancer tournaments. He needs 14 more signups to field 10 teams of four players each. An ad for the tournament and an article appeared in the June 6 Los Altos Town Crier. Board members have contacted other tennis clubs and fellow tennis players. The board agreed to carry out Jack Bates' suggestion that the board also telephone LATC members and urge them to participate.

The board unanimously agreed that LATC would sponsor the Smash Cancer tournament, including food, court fees, prizes and other costs. All entry fees will go to the American Cancer Society. (Weingartner moved; Lehr seconded).

To date, Jack Bates has collected donations of a dozen prizes for tournament participants, including a tool kit, a barbeque kit, a serving tray, items and certificates from Swetkas, and certificates from City Gourmet, Fiesta Vallerta and Boulanger.

Newsletter and Web Site: Beth Watt proposed that the newsletter be uploaded monthly and distributed to members as a PDF. Members would receive an email and a link to the newsletter. Members without computers could request mailed copies. Cost savings would be \$1600 annually. Pat Frischmann suggested that the email contain bullets of what was in the newsletter. The issue will be taken up again at the August board meeting.

Beth Watt also requested that newsletter contributors send submissions by email to her and to Webmaster Marijke Vallaeys. There will be no newsletter in July.

Public Relations: Pat Frischmann got an alert Monday from Parks and Recreation subcommittee member Maria Bautista that the Los Altos Town Council would consider two tennis-related issues at Monday evening's budget meeting: 1. Los Altos/Mountain

View High School District has requested that contribute to high school tennis court maintenance costs, which would allow the district to unlock the four currently off-limits courts for public use; 2. Resurfacing seven town tennis courts, formerly scheduled for FY '07-'08, has been postponed to FY '09-'10. Frischmann stated that the most effective way to get the council to act on these issues was for the LATC board and membership to send emails to each council member. She will compose and post an email for board consideration.

Membership Survey: Beth Watt will poll the board for questions and present a proposed survey to the board in August.

TFC: Several teams are tied for first place. Jack Bates said they will have a playoff and party in July.

Interclub: Beth Watt reported that LATC will not have a 4.0 Interclub in '07-'08. Snyeska Bendis, who had volunteered to take over the group, has decided to run it as an independent group out of Cuesta Tennis Center.

Fusion Tennis: Fusion tennis will wrap up at the end of June. Frank Smyth has not decided whether he will offer it again in the fall.

Ladders: No action in the women's singles ladder. Tom Gregory and Bob Pearl were not at the meeting to report on the singles, mixed or men's doubles ladders.

USTA: No report. Bill Powell was not at the meeting.

Next board meeting: Wednesday, August 1, Heritage Bank, San Antonio Road, Los Altos. NO MEETING IN JULY.