

BROOKDALE RACQUET CLUB
MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING HELD ON
January 19, 2009

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at Tony Hopp's house.

Attendees: Board members: Tony Hopp, Chris Frantzen, Christi Grezlik, Randy Liveris, and Jim Stoffregen. Also present were Kathy Thrush and Janet LaRocque.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Review of Minutes of Annual Board Meeting: The minutes of the annual Board meeting held on November 20, 2008 were reviewed, corrected and approved.

Board Elections: The Board conducted its officer elections for the 2009 calendar year. The new officers are as follows:

Tony Hopp – President

Chris Frantzen – Treasurer/Tennis Chair

Jim Stoffregen – Secretary/Swim Team Liaison/Improvements Chair

Christi Grezlik – Vice President/Social Committee Chair

Randy Liveris – Vice President/Maintenance Chair

Membership Update: Tony Hopp and Janet LaRocque gave a membership update. There are currently five bonds available, and three non-Brookdale families on the waiting list.

Tennis Update: No report.

Social Committee Update: Christi Grezlik announced that she will be leaving the Board at the end of her term, in November 2009. The Board expressed its gratitude for Christi's hard work, and its desire to work with Christi to recruit a new Social Committee Chair for 2010/2011.

Maintenance Update: The Board discussed maintenance priorities for 2009 including the concrete coping around the pool and the parking lot lights.

Operations/Staff Update: Kathy Thrush has been in contact with several of last year's assistant managers and head guards. She reported that some are interested in returning for the 2009 season, while others are considering internships. She has also received expressions of interest from potential returning guards and potential new guards. Tony and Jim will work with Kathy to update the employment application on the BRC website.

The Board also held a preliminary discussion regarding the timeline for opening activities for 2009. The concrete coping will be repaired prior to opening day. In addition, tiles around the edge of the pool will be repaired and replaced, and the pool will be painted. Tony expressed his desire to carefully coordinate these activities through April and May, 2009 so that the pool can open on time.

Preliminary Financial Discussion: The Board discussed, in a preliminary fashion, issues of dues, fees, and expenses for 2009. Given current economic conditions, the Board expressed the desire not to raise dues this year. This will be the fifth straight

year without an increase. Keeping dues at 2004 levels, while confronting rising labor, energy and maintenance costs presents the Board with significant challenges. The Board discussed ways in which it can raise revenue and cut costs without raising dues. These include raising user fees, requiring tennis helpers to clock in, raising guest pass fees, keeping closer track of the use of guest fees and freezing salaries for staff. The Board will continue these discussions at its February budget meeting.

Jim Stoffregen raised several new issues for the Board to consider. These included creating a bonus committee, establishing criteria for year-end bonuses, recruiting volunteers to assist with maintenance around the pool, and providing service hour credits to high school students.

Kathy Thrush raised the issue of offering life-saving courses at BRC. Christi Grezlik suggested soliciting sponsors in return for advertising at social events.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on March 3rd, 2009 beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Janet LaRocque's house. This will be the annual budget meeting.

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