

SITA AGM

Held: Windsor Park Fieldhouse

September 24, 2016

Opening Remarks: Steve Parks, chair of Interim Committee

- Meeting opened 10:07; Steve thanked other members of Interim Committee (Shelley Grout and David Hale), and commented on SITA history, and recent survey

Keynote Speaker: Robert Bettauer on the state of tennis in Canada and the region

- Recent successes at the pro, junior and senior level worldwide
- Bear Mountain slated to open in May 2017; Russ Hartley pro (from Vanlawn)
- Offer to organize tours of the facility to potential members

Confirmation of a quorum:

- Confirmed by sign-up sheet; 23 members present, representing a valid quorum

Approval of Agenda - was requested by Steve Perks, approved by a show of hands

Approval of minutes of the previous AGM (June 13, 2015) - requested by Steve Perks

- Approved by show of hands with one additional attendee, Sylvia Pang

President Report and Treasurer Report: Al Title

- Al thanked the Interim committee and new nominees
- Highlighted events in 2015 - tournament brochure, Community Day, monthly e-newsletter expanded from 200 to 600+ email addresses, position paper on pickle-ball significantly affected actions by municipalities, sponsorships given (KATS, tournaments (2015 South Cowichan, Panorama ITFs, 2015 Western Indoor), local juniors to play u16 nationals, Saltspring Island fundraising efforts)
- Full text included in minute attachments
- Treasurer's Report reviewed - year ended December 31, 2015

- Total assets 17k\$; excess expenditures over receipts – 5k\$
- Call for further questions
- move to accept the financial statements made by Tom Gunton; seconded by Bill Bradley, passed unanimously by show of hands

Election of Board of Directors:

- the following officers and directors have agreed to stand for election
 - Steve Perks – President
 - David Hale – Vice-president
 - Cynthia Bray – Treasurer
 - Keith Porter – Secretary
 - Al Title – Past President
 - Jane Cunnington – director
 - Brendan Braybrook – director
 - Sylvia Pang – director
 - Dan Pizarro – director
- there being no further nominations, the names above were declared elected
- Per Society by-laws, facility-nominated appointees are also part of the Board

Discussion of Priorities for SITA

- Open session suggestions provided by many; recorded on flipcharts for further review by the Board (attached), in addition to the 41 responses to online survey already received

Other Business – short meeting to be held afterwards by Board members to determine time and place of next meeting

Door Prizes – six door prizes awarded by taking names from a box – documentation given to winners from the following:

Center court Racquets, Courtside Sports, Cedar Hill Recreation, Oak Bay Recreation, and Whiskey Point Resort

Motion of Adjournment: moved by Alan Case (S. Cowichan); seconded by Michael Adams (Peninsula TC); approved unanimously at 11:40 am.

Suggestions for SITA Priorities:

Brochure

Website

Facebook page

Sponsorships - in general

- A junior fund
- Need to consider criteria

Invest in bringing events here

Subsidize junior coaching

Advocate for tennis locally - eg pickle ball

Reporting on local tennis events

Promote senior events and tennis

Use multi-media on website and other media

Twitter account

Video and photos in media

Seniors events - info specific to tennis eg training/injuries

Info on events like club events, league, clinics, injury prevention, weekly tips,

Contact list to arrange play

Host Western seniors - eg 2018

Partnership and communicate with other sports associations - cross promotion

Billetting program to encourage out of town players to come to local tournaments

Info re drop-in tennis, clubs/rec centres opportunities, and coaching and lessons

-involve the rec centres and co-ordinate

Consider return to VITA

Create new league/tournament formats

Provide better communication conduit to and between municipalities

- Eg Beacon Hill, liase with Victoria City