



Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
held on the 25th May 2016
at Westview Tennis Club at 18h00

Present: **Mike Bladen (President)**
 Andus Bruwer (Vice President)
 Delia Greeff (Secretary)
 Wayne McCay (Treasurer)
 Members as per the attendance register

1. Welcome

Mike Bladen welcomed everyone.

2. Attendance register:

See attached.

3. Apologies:

Denise Walton, Johan Van Zyl, Gugs Senti, Roberto Almanza, Margie Giraudeau, Hugh Collet, Peter Sale, Jayne Turner, Strelza Schumann, Graham Howell & Noel Harvey

4. Amendments to the Agenda:

None

5. Matters arising from previous minutes:

The TEP Minutes were presented electronically and were taken as read.

There were no matters arising.

Proposed by: Neil McLaggan and seconded by: Imraan Cassim

6. Financial Report:

Wayne McCay presented the signed audited financial report for TEP (see attached).

Wayne mentioned that TEP had lent R30,000 to TEP Juniors to help them on the way forward and that there is still R180,000 in the bank account.

TEP financial report proposed by: George Holloway and seconded by: Patrick Grewar

Wayne presented the audited financial report for TNMB (see attached)

Mike told the members present that TSA's decision to collect affiliation fees individually from members had been a nightmare, it simply did not work. He said that the decision had been reversed and that the Clubs need to collect the fees again. Vicky Goodall said that tournament members had had to pay their

fee to TSA but that social members did not pay. Basil Haworth wanted to know how they would now collect the fees from the members. Gavin Cullen said that Wembley had collected R55.00 per member and was one of the few Clubs that had paid the amount across to TNMB. Mike said that a decision needed to be made and suggested that he, George Holloway and Gavin Cullen should form a sub-committee to handle the matter. Mike will call a meeting where a decision will be made to collect R220 + R50 = R270 per league / tournament playing member of a Club.

TNMB financial report was proposed by: George Holloway and seconded by Andus Bruwer

7. President's Report:

Tennis Eastern Province: Mike presented his report where instead of his normal practice of asking for input from the various structures in the Province, he wanted to rather concentrate on how the tennis structure is evolving in our Country and how it affects us. See report attached.

Mike strongly urged that TEP Seniors and Juniors need to consider adopting TNMB in their brand. He said that TEP should become Tennis Eastern Cape West and Border should become Tennis Eastern Cape East. Mike also mentioned that Gavin Crookes, CEO of TSA, has mentioned on numerous occasions that they would like to see two teams competing in tournaments under the name of Tennis Eastern Cape. Mike said that Johan Van Zyl, President of Juniors is happy to change to TNMB and that we leave Border to carry on as they are. Patrick Grewar said that Juniors need criteria to follow. Hennie de Klerk said that dividing the two Districts under TEC was on the right track. Mike then proposed that we close down TEP and transfer all assets to TNMB and that the office bearers of TEP will change to TNMB. Neil McLaggan proposed this action and Linda Holloway seconded it.

Tennis Nelson Mandela Bay - Neil McLaggan then spoke and suggested that the existing body of TEP continue as TNMB and that Mike Bladen continue as the President. It was suggested that TEP Executive should meet and make the decision as to the way forward before the dissolution of TEP. This was proposed by all and Mike was given a round of applause.

Mike ended off by thanking his committee for their support and enthusiasm throughout the year.

8. Honoraria:

The meeting agreed that the Secretary and Treasurer would receive a 10% increase in Honoraria fees.

Patrick Grewar proposed that School Official should be paid an honorarium as well, but after a discussion, Patrick retracted his motion.

9. Tennis Eastern Province – The future:

This matter was handled in the Presidents report.

10. General:

Office bearers – Jayne Turner, Roberto Almanza and Mike Bladen have agreed to stand on the league committee, with Delia Greeff as league convener.

TNMB League issues – It was decided that the following changes should be made to the league rules –

3. The rules:

3.15 – Completely rained out matches – The decision to cancel a match completely must be taken at 14h00 for local teams and 2 hours before 14h00 for out of town players. The scoring of the rained out matches will stay the same.

3.17 – Scoring – to stay as is, matches > sets > games.

A test run of the Team Tennis rules were held at Wembley Tennis club in May 2016, it was decided that the format was not suitable for leagues. It was suggested that the league committee should consider playing the night league format, but this was not agreed to as there are no singles played in night league. Vicky Goodall suggested that a ‘mixed’ league be considered, i.e. if a lady is strong enough to play against a man that she be considered for the team. She asked that this be considered for the forthcoming men’s and ladies winter league format.

Andus Bruwer suggested that Open tournaments should invite Club members to enter as well. Vicky suggested that the ranked players be invited, Andus to market this through TSA.

11. Closure:

George Holloway thanked Mike Bladen for all he has done for tennis in Port Elizabeth and surrounding Districts.

Everyone was thanked for their attendance and invited to partake of the refreshments provided.

The meeting closed at 19h46.

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President

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Secretary

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