## **GREATER PORTLAND CITY LEAGUE**

Web Summary of Board Minutes May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2005

Members present were Jen Zahniser, Lucille Cassels, Betsy Mosser, Cheryl Rathbun, Lori Layne, Terri Shea, Jean Anhoury, Marilyn Crandall, Ruth Kilroy, Heidi Wilcox, Chris Harms, Barbara Keller and Corinne Mitchell.

Jen Zahniser, Board President, called the meeting to order at 9:20 A.M.

The minutes of the last Board meeting were approved as submitted by Corinne Mitchell, Recording Secretary.

Terri Shea, Treasurer, reported that our current check book balance is balanced and in line with anticipated expenditures.

Marilyn Crandall, Corresponding Secretary, reported that there are no issues for the Board, at this time.

Jen began the discussion of the survey results. The 2005 survey results indicate that league-wide, players prefer one long season to a "split" season. Marilyn motioned to support the majority vote; the motion was seconded and approved by the majority of the Board. The League will continue with one long season.

On the 1 singles/5 doubles issue, the Wednesday teams (A-F) strongly prefer their current format of 1 singles/5 doubles to 2 singles/4 doubles. (70% to 30%). This is an increase of 18% support over last year's survey. Chris motioned to support a 1 singles/5 doubles format for the 2005-06 season. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

For next season, the Tuesday teams (G-K) will use the 1 singles/5 doubles format on a trial basis. During the spring of 2006, the Board will again survey all the G-K teams to determine if this format is the preference of the players. Although the Tuesday teams voted by a small margin to continue the 2 singles/4 doubles format, the Board chose this action for the following reasons:

- 60% of all City League players prefer 1 singles/5 doubles
- After one season of this format, support of the 1 singles/5 doubles at the A-F level went up significantly.
- The Board would prefer to have the congruity of one set of rules and one score sheet throughout the league.
- There is no court time available for additional City League teams at many clubs, and waiting lists continue to grow. Adopting 1 singles/5 doubles allows one more player per team per match to participate in City League.

Again, the Board wants to emphasize this format at G-K is a trial for the 2005-06 season.

Cheryl addressed points of information for the Board regarding scheduling. Spring Break for Oregon teams will be March 27<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> and Washington teams will be April 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>. On Thanksgiving week, no Wednesday Matches will be scheduled. Matches will begin September 6<sup>th</sup> and will resume on January 10<sup>th</sup> after the Winter break. Lastly, Cheryl reported that the use of subs is low, with only a few people subbing all 5 times during the season.

Jen lead the discussion of player's fees and commitment fees for the 2005-06 season. Marilyn motioned that the \$20 commitment fee be a non-refundable fee. The motion was seconded and approved by the Board. The commitment fee deadline is June 15<sup>th</sup>. The 2005-06 player fee is \$8.00. This must be paid for each player on the roster. Rosters, with player fees attached, are due no later than August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Wednesday, June 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2005	Commitment Deadline
Monday, August 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2005	Roster Deadline
Wednesday, August 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2005	Captain's Brunch at MAC
Tuesday, September 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2005	City League play commences
Tuesday, January 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2006	City League play resumes

Heidi and Marilyn reported on the prizes the division winners will receive this year.

The Board discussed the Captain's Brunch. Raffle prizes were discussed and it was agreed that each club with a Pro Shop be tapped to donate for the Raffle; Corinne will take on that task and report back to Jen.

The final drawing for the Grand Slam Attitude awards was held, and results are available on the web site. Congratulations to all the winners and nominees!

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 A.M.

The next meeting will be held at Jen's house on July 14<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully submitted,

Corinne Mitchell