GREATER PORTLAND CITY LEAGUE

Captain's Summary of Board Minutes October 21, 2004

Chris Harms, acting President, called the meeting to order at 9:25. Other board members present were: Betsy Mosser, Lucille Cassels, Terri Shea, Ruth Kilroy, Heidi Wilcox, Lori Layne, Jean Anhoury, Barbara Keller, Marilyn Crandall, Cheryl Rathbun, and Corinne Mitchell.

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

Terri Shea, Treasurer, reported that the City League budget is balanced and in line with anticipated expenditures.

Marilyn began her Corresponding Secretary's report stating that: cell phones on the court are a distraction and the Board needs to enact a new rule **effective January 2005**. Until that time, it is a courtesy to turn off cell phones while on the court. Several board members will meet to discuss and write the new rule.

Marilyn then reported that a situation at the K level brought the issue of age eligibility for participation in City League, to the Board. General discussion followed and it was decided that a new rule regarding age eligibility was needed. The rule was motioned and seconded and will take effect January 1, 2005.

New Age Eligibility Rule:

In order to participate in the Greater Portland City League, you must have already attained the age of 19, by September 1 of the participating year.

Marilyn also reported that a situation occurred at the K level regarding a match that could not be concluded due to court time limits. **The issue is covered in Rules and Regulations, page 9, rule 4 "Retired Match"**. All division reps will email their captains as a courtesy reminder that those matches that cannot be completed will have to be retired and scored according to this rule.

Marilyn's last item to report was the new official letterhead. The design will be available for all official City League correspondence.

Cheryl Rathbun, City League Coordinator, reported an issue at the A level regarding a sub used in a match. Although the sub was a legal sub, the opposing team was not notified prior to the match as is required by Substitutions Rule #4. As a result the team using the sub lost 2 points for a sub "considered an illegal player".

Cheryl has asked the division reps to email their captains with a request for them to use **BLACK INK** when faxing score sheets. Also, it is important for the captains to be sure to indicate their team's division and the division of any subs used during the match.

Cheryl also addressed a point of interest regarding deadlines for completed City League rosters. The deadline was established in order for the board to meet the workload of verifying information and assembling the captain's packets in a timely manner. Rosters are covered in Rules and Regulations, page 2, rule 1-4.

General discussion followed this point and lead to a discussion of the issue of a whole season vs. split season. The board will revisit the issue in the future.

The next item on the agenda was the Grand Slam Attitude Award discussion and drawing. With the exception of two divisions, each rep had names to draw for the award. Feedback about the Grand Slam Attitude Award has been positive and all nominee's names will be posted with the minutes on the City League website.

Heidi mentioned the upcoming Cystic Fibrosis Foundation's 2004 Tennis Auction and Pro/Am Tournament. The dinner and auction is Saturday, November 13 at the Oswego Lake Country Club. The tournament is Sunday, November 14 at West Hills Racquet Club. Contact the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation at 503-226-3435 or oregon@cff.org for more information, sponsorship opportunities, and reservations.

Chris presented information as to cost and practicality regarding liability insurance for the board. Liability insurance will be tabled at this session.

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

The next Board meeting will be November 18th at 9:15.

Respectfully submitted,

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