

**SAN MARINO TENNIS FOUNDATION**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**August 24, 2015**

**Directors Present:** Voting Members, Mustapha Baha, Charlie Perry, Bob Risinger, Ruth Roberts Mike Jack and John Wang (Nam Jack is on Medical Leave.)

**Directors Absent:** Voting Members, Andrew Ezold, Frank Hu and Harold Young  
*(Two Board Members resigned just before this meeting; Jules Buenabanta and Richard Pearson. The Board is working to fill those positions as soon as possible.)*

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Fourteen members of the Foundation requested this Special Meeting. The meeting was held in the Barth Room at the Crowell Library.

**I. Call to Order**

Acting President Charlie Perry called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

**II. Welcome to the Members – Charlie Perry**

Charlie Perry welcomed all who attended.

**III. President's Statement - Attachment**

**IV. Member Statements**

**David Stuteville** was the first member to address the group. He noted that a previous Special Meeting was held on March 23, 2015 and was one of petitioners calling for that meeting as well as today. David said that four to five members would be voicing their concerns to the Board tonight. His comments were the following:

- The issue with Sam Lizzul's contract was discussed at the previous Special Meeting. Sam is longer with SMTC.
- The new reservation system is a welcome change to the Club.
- The issues with the Board are lack of transparency, communication and the proposed Concession Agreement changes.

**Alex Voxman** talked about the Pro Contract.

- In his opinion, the new contract would lessen the Pros income. Although, he wasn't sure he had all the correct information.
- Never had a problem getting on a court.
- Concerned that the new Pro will have a hard time making money with the new fee structure.
- Concerned new Pro won't be as good as Sam.
- Questions: What is the motivation to restrict court usage/limitation? Is there a financial analysis of the new contract? Why did this have to happen?

V. Board Member Response - Bob Risinger

Bob is a former tennis Pro. In 2012 Sam's revenue to the Club was \$26,000 for the year and we pay Sam \$25,000 a year to manage and operate the Pro Shop. In 2013 the net was \$8,000 and in 2014 it was the same. In the new contract, the monthly fee will be approximately \$2,000 to the Foundation; this will be a steady stream of revenue. There are 113 operating hours possible per week and 86 of those are teachable. For example, 46 hours at \$75 per hour generates \$3,450 per week and 30 hours at \$75 per hour generates \$2,250 per week. For clinics, the cost is typically \$25 per student and with three students; a Pro earns \$75 per hour.

VI. More Member Statements

**Bill Payne** said that some of the members present plan to attend the next City Council meeting on 9/9/15 because they disagree with the Board's decision to propose change to the Concession Agreement. The Foundation is healthy why steal from the new Pro with this new contract. I want more information on the new contract. The Board has acted irresponsibly and we are here to protest.

**Bill Francis** said he is not in agreement with the City Manager getting involved in the Concession Agreement. It is a big mistake.

**Ken Riley** said he is extremely opposed to the City Manager getting involved with the Foundation's business. You are giving too much power and authority to the City that they have never had before.

**Jack Young** said he did not like the way Sam's departure was handled and thinks it is a red herring! Thanks to the board for their work but not sure all are well meaning. I want the entire Board to resign.

**David Stuteville** said he would like the Minutes posted in the Pro Shop. He asked the Secretary Ruth Roberts why can't this be done. Ruth responded that the Board has decided that not to at this time but is willing to meet with any member at the Pro Shop to review any of the approved Minutes. She will take it up with the Board for further review on this matter.

**Jeanne Jackson** would like the Minutes posted in the Pro Shop as well as the website; it is more efficient.

A few more suggestions about publishing the Minutes were; email the Minutes to members only or put in a password on our website to make it more secure.

Ruth Roberts thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Ruth Roberts  
Secretary of the Board

Date: