



General Meeting - 5th October 2016

Gosford Tennis Club

1) **Attendance :** R. Eldridge (President), K. Lees (Sec), C. Lees, R. DeVivo, T. Haworth, D. Campbell, P. Campbell, M. Vaughn, C. Ryan

Apologies : Fiona Weinert, Lyn Buchanan, Connie

2) **Minutes of Previous Meeting :**

3) **Business Arising :**

- **Negotiations with Council :** GDTA in a good position to go to the Administrator stating that we have been treated unfairly. We need to see the document deed in order to have something tangible. Were there other tenders? Have Council misrepresented their intentions? Potential losses of \$40K due to lost tournament revenue next year.

Correspondence : Nil

5) **Reports :**

Treasurer: Payments needing approval. AGM supper, planner, APM graphics for services, meeting dinner. Receipts provided. Current account has ~\$123,000. Another \$20k (ITS rent) to come to the Centre before the end of their lease on 30st December. Report tabled.

Motion : To pay the outstanding receipts and invoices as stated in the treasurer's report.

Proposed: T Haworth

Second : C Lees

Carried.

6) **General Business :**

- **The Centre:** Tony proposes that the venue be known as Gosford Tennis Club. It gives a more personal tone of belonging. Also clubs denote membership. Discussion regarding GDTA disappearing from view from the public, but will still be there. GDTA, operating as Gosford Tennis Club where accounts will be GDTA and marketing/trading will be GTC. The lease will be signed as Gosford Tennis Club if that change can be made. Bank accounts are GDTA. Lease is currently in GDTA, is it plausible to trade as alternative? R Eldridge to look into this.

Motion : To change the name of the entity Gosford District Tennis Association to Gosford Tennis Club.

Proposed : Rob DeVivo

Second : M Vaughn

Carried.

- **Position of President:** Discussion regarding the position of President (Rob Eldridge) resigning in order to take on a temporary position. Suggested a secondment would be a better option and would take effect immediately. Discussion from last meeting was that Rob DeVivo (current Vice President) will be Acting President and Chris Lees will be Acting Vice President during this time.

Motion : That Rob Eldridge is approved a secondment for a period of 6 months, where Rob DeVivo will be Acting President and Chris Lees will be Acting Vice President during this time.

Proposed : K Lees

Second : T Haworth

Carried.

\$44,18
Chris → Public
Office

- **Position of Project General Manager** : This position will manage the transition of management change from the International Tennis School to Gosford Tennis Club. Tony wishes to thank Rob E. for all his hard work. He states he spoke with an employment solicitor who is able to draw up a temporary contract for this position. The position of Project General Manager will organise a business plan etc. At the moment revenue is an unknown until the actual financials from ITS are seen. The following motion is with R. Eldridge (GDTA President) stepping aside from the below vote for the purpose of an unbiased vote.

Motion : To appoint Rob Eldridge, commencing immediately, Project General Manager of Gosford Tennis Club during the transition period of the next 6 months.

Proposed : K. Lees

Second : C Lees

Carried.

Motion : To pay the position of Project General Manager of Gosford Tennis Club as per the Tender submission per annum.

Proposed : T Haworth

Second : C Ryan

Carried.

- **Structure of GDTA** : R Eldridge has looked at another venue (Nepean) and the structure they do. It would look like – GDTA would meet quarterly and there would be a Board at an executive level to deal with the business of tennis. It is also seen as a more respected form of business. Some of the topics of discussion don't need to be brought forward to the Board meetings. Central Coast Tennis should be the umbrella that encompasses other tennis centres on the Central Coast. Tonight's focus will be on Gosford Tennis Centre. Current insurance is good if we go with this type of structure. The concept of having a Board is generally accepted, however will be looked at more closely down the track. Currently the structure of GDTA oversees Gosford and other tennis centres. It would be good if Tennis NSW affiliates Tennis Central Coast to bring all the committees together.
- **Leagues** : It is being discussed that Central Coast move into the Metro League. It would also be good if Gosford can stay attached to the Country aspect for JDS etc.
- **Letter from ITS** : Paul request that 80k be given to the school as a form of compensation. Is GDTA willing to buy the business? This offer covers training of running the business and purchase of stock. "Make an offer on the efforts of your good will". Discussed that it is worth \$6,400 as a depreciated amount as they have had occupation over the last 24 months. This equates to \$770 per week, based off of a pro rata of being there for 2 years. Offer a reduction in court hire fees as an option. The longer the decision is left for GTC to be part of the running, the less ITS is payed.
- **Communication Time Frame** :
 - 1) Put a response forward addressing the email that ITS has sent. Itemised list of stock. Request a meeting to discuss further.
 - 2) A formal letter to follow after the meeting.
 - 3) A letter to the members of the committee stating that GDTA is the preferred tenderer.
- **Tennis NSW** : Proposing that the gold tournament next year be changed to silver due to low numbers of officials. Silver has 277 entries this week. \$16,600 in entry fees. Gold has a cut off of numbers so not as much cash flow through the centre. Course to be trained as a line person. At the centre. Rob will bring this up to tennis NSW. Stay with gold tournament at this time.

Meeting closed 2300hrs. Next meeting Mon 24th October.