BOCA WEST
COUNTRY CLUB

MINUTES

MEETING:	Tennis Committee
DATE:	April 6, 2021
MEMBERS PRESENT:	David Shifrin, Chairman, Robert Lerner, Vice Chairman, Howard Attermann, Steve Berger, Lisa Carlin, Jeffrey Cohen, Irving Feld, Susan Kaplan, Robert Levy, Barney Loiter Len Rashkin, Jack Roth, Jane Zenker
MEMBERS ABSENT:	With notice: Jerold Appelblatt, Merry Kessler, Steve Rosenberg, Alan Weinstein
PARTICIPANTS:	John Joyce, Director of Tennis, Matt McInerney, Assistant Director of Tennis
FOR INFORMATION:	The Board of Governors
ISSUED BY:	David Shifrin
ISSUE DATE:	April 27, 2021

Chairman, David Shifrin: The meeting was called to order at 1:30 PM. Minutes from the February 2, 2021 meeting were approved as written. A special thanks and appreciation for Bud Baron's many years of service and advocacy for the Tennis Committee. Welcome to new members Susan Kaplan, Jack Roth, and Jerry Appelblatt (unable to attend today's meeting).

John Joyce: Many successful events since the last committee meeting. Thank you to Sandy Boilen for a very successful women's member/member with 72 players. Color war was well attended with 104 players, and the Club Championships were at capacity for both tennis and pickleball and 80 playing in the Babolot tournament. The last two pickleball tournaments were filled and had waiting lists. Discussion followed about the need for more pickleball courts to keep up with the demand. POP is extremely popular. Thank you to Maria and Matt McInerney for the tremendous job they have done in keeping the games moving and getting everyone to play.

Pickleball, Howard Attermann: POP continues to be extremely popular with both morning and afternoon play. A nine-member pickleball committee has been formed and first meeting is next week. A few Boca West members are playing in local and regional pickleball tournaments. Boca West hats and/or clothing was requested as it would be a great way to market the Club. Matt McInerney gave an overview of the Pickleball US Open to be held in Naples, FL April 17-24. Discussion continued about the need to increase the number of dedicated pickleball courts. Pickleball dues and various membership options were discussed.

Social, Steve Berger: Working with John on end of season awards dinner and beginning to plan next season's welcome back weekend to take place in November. New events will be tried such as a round robin followed by a pizza party.

Retail: Sandy Boilen has moved on to the retail committee and Steve Berger will be the new liaison to the committee.

Miscellaneous: Each committee member was invited to speak, key points were:

- We are progressing in merging tennis and pickleball into one unified community.
- Discussion about how best to get golfers to try tennis. Suggestion was made to "bring your foursome" for a tennis clinic.
- Great year for both tennis and pickleball, even during a pandemic. A positive outcome of the pandemic is that the tennis and pickleball communities have grown closer.
- Dining tent will likely be taken down in early summer.
- Overview of SPEC tennis (mini-tennis on a pickleball court with small rackets and low compression tennis balls) which is growing in popularity.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 PM.