

DHAHRAN JUNIOR TENNIS ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting

MEETING: Regular Board Meeting
DATE: November 9, 2008
TIME: 6:30 PM TO 7:30 PM
LOCATION: Tennis Club house

ATTENDEES:

Tahir Bukhari	Vice president
Amani Haikal	Secretary
Lubna Rizvi	Treasurer
Liliana Polanco	Tournament Coordinator
Lorna Bradford	Social Director
Eric Beachy	Travel Team Coordinator
Roger Sung	Tournament Coordinator
Raza Rizvi	Member At Large
Nancy Hansen	New Board Member
Radmilla Ghajar	New Board Member
Shaista Quareshi	New Board Member

MAIN POINTS OF THE MEETING:

Introduction of 2009 New Board Members: Tahir started the meeting by introducing the 2009 new board members consisting of: Nancy Hansen (Vice President), Radmilla Ghajar (Social Director), Shaista Qureshi and Juan Escobar (Tournament Coordinators).

2008 DJTA Open Singles Invitational Tournament: we have a total of 120 entries for the singles tournament (including 15 non DJTA members). All draws will be sent out to parents and players on Tuesday November 11th, 2008. Volunteers were appointed for checking in the players signed up for the tournament which is scheduled on 12-14 November, 2009. Volunteers for the check in include: Raza & Lubna Rizvi, Amani Haikal, Lorna Bradford and Coach Rick. Amani is required to send an email to all players regarding the check in procedure. All players are requested to register and pay the fees on Wednesday November 12th, 2008 whether they have a scheduled game on that day or not. Tahir distributed the tournament T-shirts on board members and stated that the players' t-shirts are ready for distribution after they check in. Pizza party is scheduled for Friday November 14th, 2008 at 5:30 pm.

DJTA Annual Banquet: The banquet's date is November 28, 2008. Lorna requested volunteers from parents and older players to help in the set up as well as checking people in and assisting in crowd control on the day of the banquet. Tahir proposed (Salam Salamy) as the master of ceremony for the banquet. Raza stated that he bought 5 "I pods" to be distributed as door prizes during the

banquet. Board members agreed that more prizes need to be bought (total budget allocated for this item is 10,000 SAR). The main point is to distribute as many prizes as possible on the participating kids. It was agreed that kids who participated in the Asia 14& under tournament will also be recognized during the banquet and receive an additional gift voucher as an acknowledgment of their efforts. Board members are requested to send their nominations for the various awards presented at the banquet such as president's award, player of the year (boy & girl), most improved and ladder award.

Travel Team Update: Rick Beachy mentioned that DJTA had 8 children participate and gain experience in the Asia 14 and under tennis tournament with Coach Aziz serving as the coach. Some had wins at the qualifier level – others had win at the main draw level. The participating kids were: Jacob Hansen, Chandler Beachy, Majed Al-Shaikh, Elias Tarazi, Moises Escobar, Majed Yousif, Alex Xiao, and Jason Xiao.

Group Coaching: the resurfacing of the hills tennis courts scheduled for November 26, 2008 which will result in the closure of 5 tennis courts, will not affect our group coaching or tournaments schedule. The registration for the fall group coaching will be open after the open invitational tournaments and the registration date will be January 4th 2009. Tahir mentioned that Aziz will not be participating in the DJTA Group coaching for the coming trimester.

DJTA Select Team: Rick Beachy proposed starting a DJTA select team at DJTA under the supervision and coordination of coach Aziz. The purpose of the team is to prepare children who have advanced tennis skills for their age and gender to be a competitive tennis player. However, the process of the team selection needs be a fair and transparent process by working with Coach Aziz to provide the required details to the DJTA Board and obtain their feedback and approval.

**Meeting was concluded at 7:30 pm.
Prepared by: Amani Haikal**

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