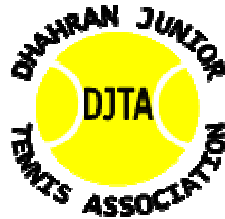


Dhahran Junior Tennis Association



Board Meeting

MEETING: Regular Board Meeting
DATE: Dec. 12th, 2009
TIME: 6:45 PM TO 8:30 PM
LOCATION: Tennis Club House

ATTENDEES:

Juan Escobar	President
Nancy Hansen	Vice President
Amani Haikal	Secretary
Tahir Bukhari	Ladder Coordinator
Lubna Rizvi	Treasurer
Radmila Ghajar	Tournament Coordinator
Abid Bhullar	Group coaching coordinator
Saidi Hassani	Social director
Andy Mehta	Group coaching coordinator
Hongbin Xiao	Member at large
Khazaei, Aziz H	Recreation Advisor

MAIN POINTS OF THE MEETING:

The meeting started by welcoming the new DJTA's board members. DJTA Board has three new members: Jim Carswell "tournament coordinator", Paul John "Treasurer" and Saidi Hassani "Social Director".

Season's Greetings Tournament- Dec. 16th-18th, 2009: Registration for the last tournament of 2009 was closed on Sat. Dec. 12th, 2009 at 1:00 pm. Draws will be prepared and posted on the DJTA website before the end of the week. Juan will provide required training on preparation of draws for all new tournament coordinators.

Discussion of increased tournaments: Juan, proposed increasing the number of 2010 DJTA tournaments to 15 tournaments (up from 8 for the year 2009). Discussion included:

- Increased workload for board members; particularly tournament coordinators, social director and web director
- Additional requirements for parents' desk assignments
- Economic issues such as additional expenses for pizza/Shawerma parties, balls and trophies

It was agreed to start 2010 with the new proposed tournaments' schedule and reevaluate the outcome during March's board meeting. Majority of board members voted in favour of this proposal.

Discussion of medals and food for tournaments: Juan proposed the use of medals instead of trophies for the flights' winners during our upcoming tournaments. Most board members were in favour of using a mixture of trophies and medals as tournaments' prizes. It was agreed to order a total of 501 medals from the USA (167 gold, 167 silver, 167 bronze) which can be brought to Dhahran by either Lorna or Nancy who will be both in the US during the holidays. It was agreed to keep providing either pizza or shawerma parties during all of our tournaments. We can use the additional membership fees to cover the increased expenses. Coach Aziz stated that recreation provides funding for trophies during the open or club championship tournaments. These funds can be used to purchase better quality trophies for the winners of these tournaments. In addition, Tahir requested Coach Aziz to provide us with the books for umpiring fees to be filled out and paid to DJTA.

Winter Group Coaching: All signups for the New Year's membership and winter group coaching session will take place on January 10th, 2010 at the Tennis Club House between 5:30 and 7:30 pm. The following DJTA board members will be available to help out with the registration: Nancy, Hongbin, Abid, Paul, Anwar?, Lorna?, Amani.

Skills and Umpiring clinic during December, 2009: Nancy proposed to run a skills and umpiring clinic during the upcoming December school break. The clinic will be conducted by Coach Rick prior to his departure, scheduled on Dec. 29th, 2009, and will be offered to a limited number of players based on first come first serve basis. Nancy will consult with Coach Rick before confirming the clinic.

Closing note: A heartfelt goodbye to three of our board members was the closing note of the meeting. Andy, Hongbin and Lubna will be leaving their current posts as fellow board members but will always remain in our hearts as close friends and hard working individuals. Their contributions to DJTA were essential factors in the organization's success and we will always count on their expertise for future reference. Hongbin will continue to offer his services to the board as member at large. Plaques were awarded to Andy and Hongbin as tokens of appreciation for all their hard work during the year 2009. All board members enjoyed a delicious chocolate cake, graciously arranged for by Nancy, at the end of the meeting.

**Meeting was concluded at 8:30 pm.
Prepared by: Amani Haikal**