

**USTA NorCal Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
May 21, 2008  
Four Points Sheraton, Pleasanton, Ca  
6:30 Dessert and Beverage**

**Call to order at 7:05PM by President Margie Peterman**

**USTA NorCal Board of Directors Present:** Margie Peterman, Rosie Bareis, Karla Barnette, Brian Berry, Michael Cooke, Suzy Cossette, Terry Cossette, Mike Dickey, Hunter Gallaway, Bill Hansen, Patrick King, Rick Kepler, Mark Mosley, Bill Schoen, Pam Sloan, Erika Smith.

**USTA NorCal past Presidents Present:** John Frank, Paul Kepler, Gary Lee, Don Jacobus

**USTA NorCal Board of Directors Absent:** John Dicconson, Madhu Kohli, Mark Manning

**Staff Present:** Anna Elefant, Lita Anderson, Steve Leube ED

**Legal Counsel Present:** Michael Harrison

**Guests Present:** Jean Hassoun (League Up and Out Rule), Patricia Hayden (Just Cause)

**Public Comments:** Lita Anderson introduced herself as the new NorCal Outreach Manager. Both Jean and Patricia made brief presentations

**Approval of Minutes:** The April Minutes were approved as written.

**Action Item:** Grant Challenges were made by Rick Kepler, Hunter Gallaway, and Bill Schoen.

The following motions were made.

1. A \$5,000.00 grant will be funded to Just Cause. Motion passed 14 – 4
2. Greater Vallejo Tennis Association Challenge was withdrawn.
3. A grant to Lucius Gregg will be denied. Motion passed 11 - 5

**League Presentation:** Erika Smith

Erika made a very informative league presentation using a power point program to highlight historical information. She did point out that our section has the third highest level of league participation amongst all the sections. Many questions and answers followed concerning the goal of increasing unique participants, increasing locations for

additional teams by using public facilities, and other concerns. Jean Hassoun passed out a position paper against the Up and Out Rule. However, no action was taken on this.

**Needs Assessment Presentation:** Mindy Craig; MIG

Mindy made a presentation prepared by her company detailing the preliminary facility Options for USTA Nor Call. It covered the pros and cons of four different facility development options from leasing land from a potential partner and building to suit, urchase of an existing office building, purchase of land and building an office, and leasing new office space.

**2009 – 2010 Strategic Planning:** John Frank

John distributed a draft of USTA Northern California Planning for 2009 and beyond and began a brief discussion on planning as it relates to the budgeting process and long term goals. Further discussion on this subject will be held at the July 30 meeting.

**Committee Decisions:** None were discussed.

**Adjournment of Meeting:** 10:30 PM

The next regular meeting will be June 18<sup>th</sup> at Four Points by Sheraton, Pleasanton, CA

The next meeting of this type will be July 30, 2008 at Four Points by Sheraton, Pleasanton, CA. at 7:00 PM. Drinks and deserts will be provided.

Respectively Submitted,  
Suzy Cossette  
USTA NorCal Board of Directors Secretary