

F.S.R.A.

Minutes of meeting 7:00 pm Tuesday 10 May 2011,

Lifetime Athletic Club.

Attendees: John Lively, Kevin Jullion, Gary Wisgo, Johan Soas, Colin Hughes, and Joe Griffin.

Three major issues were discussed, the Betty Griffin Florida State Open, other tournaments and activities for 2011, and the departure of Scott Fitzgerald, President of the FSRA. These discussions are recorded, in that order, below.

It was decided to schedule the Betty Griffin tournament to start (with qualifying matches) on Tuesday 6 December, and concluded on Sunday 11 December. These were the dates preferred by PSA, had the fewest conflicts with other known tournaments, and fall nicely between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Joe Griffin is enthusiastic about steadily increasing the quality of the tournament, and this year it was agreed to make the purse for winnings \$10,000. A good goal was suggested to be a tournament with a purse of 25K, and a permanent corporate sponsor. For this coming tournament approximately 15K will need to be raised. John L. will send Joe G. a list of last year's sponsors, and he will call them to start the fundraising. Raising some early money is essential since the bank account is low. We should all work on the information sheets, one about squash the other focused on the tournament and Betty Griffin, so they can be sent out to potential sponsors, starting with the FSRA members. Joe G. also offered to help edit the second of these. For us to advertise as a non-profit, some paperwork is necessary; Richard Thompson may be willing to help with this.

Some smaller issues regarding the tournament were raised too. The hotel rooms count as part of the purse, and the PSA will put the tournament on the schedule as, we think, a 15K tournament. For complementary goods, one place to start is Dunlop, and perhaps André Maur would be willing to help us get in with them.

Other activities for 2011 should include one additional tournament, and other more social events. It was agreed to run the amateur Summer Squash Spectacular in late August. It was suggested that we organize an interclub social tournament for perhaps \$20 per person to put some cash into the FSRA. Another event could be an inter-county challenge with Broward vs Palm Beach, a divide that quite equitably distributes talent between teams.

The departure of Scott Fitzgerald necessitates some reorganization. By unanimous vote, John Lively was elected the new president, Colin Hughes was elected the new treasurer, and Kevin Jullion was elected the new secretary. Scott's name should be removed from the bank account.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Notes taken by Colin Hughes.