

# Pacific Northwest Tennis Officials Association

## Meeting Minutes

September 11, 2019

**Call to Order:** by Denise Alexander at 7:05 pm.

**Attendance:** Denise Alexander, Becky Martin, Mitchell Roth, Barbara Anderson, Carl Beardsley, Siamak Hajarizadeh. **Excused:** Scott Pennington, Holly Weyhrauch, Barb Silvey.

**Approval of Minutes:** Corrections to the August 14 meeting minutes were noted and approved.

**Approval of Agenda:** The Agenda was approved.

### Officer and Committee Reports

-- **Treasurer:** Barbara reported a balance of \$ 2037.61. She met with US Bank to change signature authority. Status of tax return and non-profit filing still needs to be addressed. Barbara will meet with Mark Benecke to exchange information on tax filing.

-- **President:**

- Adam was contacted about the pay increase to \$19.00/hour for 2020 Adult Sectionals. Will meet in Sun River; hopeful that \$19 will be approved.
- There haven't been many registrations for next week's Roving Workshop. There were many reminders sent out including reminders from PNW/USTA and USTA. We may need to cancel and go forward with a workshop in Portland for Nov. Sign up deadline is Sept 14; Kristin Siebecker is scheduled trainor. Siamak offered to make followup calls. Low sign-up may reflect adequate Roving workshops have already been held. Need for Chair workshops was noted.
- Some interesting feedback when attempting to encourage Yakima TD to use area assignor for soliciting a Referee assignment. We will need to take note of the services we are providing and the equal opportunities we want to insure for the membership. (To be continued in Old Business)
- USTA's last minute Safeplay certification requirement for 2020 only requires officials to complete (1) of the programs labeled "Refresher 1" by September 30.

-- **Shadow Assignors:** Mitch working with 2 prospects; Denise gave name of new prospect to Becky.

-- **Workshop Committee:** (Mitch, Holly, Becky and Barb S): Mitch is still trying to setup a workshop in November, but only have 4 certified officials in Alaska, with 2 more in training.

## Old Business

- **Referee Assignment:** In line with efforts to create more opportunities for Referee assignments, Holly solicited for Yakima Open Referee. It was found that housing is a significant consideration for Referees, due to the full time nature of the assignment for the entire tournament, as well as the individual allowances that TDs make for established referees. For example, Denise has access to guest housing in Yakima that may not be available to others and Julie is often able to arrange local housing for PNW Tacoma. OSAA uses 2 local referees and the Oregon Open is similar. Referee access to TDM is still under discussion with USTA (Adam) and other TDs.

## New Business

- **BoD Liability Insurance:** Due in October. Barbara will check with Mark Benecke about renewal.
- **ITA Assignors:** The ITA website doesn't list Assignors for PNW. Sam S, Barb S, Siamak and Tony H need to be listed on the ITA site for ITA Officials availability.
- **October Meeting Topics:**
- ITA officials availability for 2020. Need for out of Section help? How to encourage local officials to shadow ITA officials for next 2021 season. Start with a list from assignors recommendations of officials who have shown consistency in Roving.
  - Need for local officials during PNW Open events in 2020.
  - Certification update
  - Workshops for 2020

**Directors Comments:** None

**Next Meeting:** October 2, 2019 at 7:00pm PDT.

**Meeting Adjourned:** Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm

Respectfully submitted,



Mitchell Roth, Secretary