

Pacific Northwest Tennis Officials Association

Meeting Minutes

February 5, 2020

Call to Order: by Denise Alexander at 7:06 pm.

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

Approval of Minutes: January meeting minutes were approved as presented.

Approval of Agenda: The Agenda was adopted with no changes..

Officer and Committee Reports

-- **Treasurer:**

- Denise reported a bank balance of \$2,745 with 56 paid members. \$1,047 is reserved for Board insurance, due in November, leaving \$1698 available.

-- **President:**

- Denise attended the ITA class in Seattle Jan. 25. Darren Potkey was the trainer and 15 PNW ITA officials registered for the class. During the class we reviewed new ITA rules, had a buffet dinner and played a game that challenged our knowledge of ITA rules, especially MTOs and bathroom breaks. Class lasted 2 hrs, there was no charge to attend and no charge for dinner. ITA experimenting with USTA rules on overrules with no appeal. Becky was working matches and missed the class. She noted that Darren evaluated her, which was stressful and not fun.
- Denise contacted Adam Hutchinson with updates from our last meeting relating to USTA/PNW. Our concerns over lack of communication about new prospects and upcoming events that relate to officials was addressed by Adam to the USTA administration. Adam informed them that the association was independent of the PNW/USTA section and suggested that any information concerning USTA officials also be sent to Denise. She will check into adding a link to the TOA website on the PNW website so that Adam has easier way to forward information about TOA.
- Reimbursement payments for workshops for PNW Officials was rejected again by PNW. Scott contacted both the National and Sectional USTA departments asking for further information on why this isn't available to us and will report his findings.

-- **Shadow Assignors:** (Denise, Becky, Mitch, Camilla George, Barb S.)

- Denise reports the marketing letter is almost complete. There is a rough draft, but we still need to add more details. She was impressed by marketing used by volleyball officials for recruiting. There are currently 4 prospects in training.
- Becky continues to work on finding shadow assignments for Jill Waters.
- Barb reported that Jeff Davis has completed shadowing.

- **Workshop Committee:** (Denise, Barb S, Holly, Scott)
 - Scott submitted the recent workshop expenses to Adam. Payment was again denied on the basis of a policy document which Scott distributed to the Board. Scott then approached National about the workshop expenses, which they agreed to cover. National agreed to meet with PNW staff about support for PNW officials during Fed Cup. Andrew Walker and Sean Cary plan to meet with Adam. Wait and see what happens. Scott will look into budget procedures when meeting with other section officials to see how workshop expenses are handled.
 - Denise will request a meeting of the PNW Officials Committee to address funding for training with the goal of elevating the issue to PNW Board.

- **Grievance Committee:** (Denise, Scott, Becky)
 - No issues at this time.

Old Business

- Award shop in Portland didn't work out. Need to find a new supplier in Bend to make plaques for honorary members.
- Still working on New Officials document for contacting new prospects.
- The website domain (GoDaddy) and site host (Wordpress) have been renewed.

New Business

- **New Officials:** Add New Officials document to website when finished.
- **Annual Meeting:** The Annual Meeting will be held **April 8, 2020**. Directors whose terms expire in 2020 are: Becky, Carl, Siamak. Becky is retiring; Carl will run again. Siamak? Mitch agreed to lead the Nominating Committee with Becky and Holly. The Annual Meeting announcement and call for nominations will go out immediately after the March meeting.
- **Recertification:** No news yet on 2020 recertification

Directors Comments: None

Next Meeting: March 4, 2020 at 7:00pm PST.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 9:08pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Mitchell Roth, Secretary