

# Pacific Northwest Tennis Officials Association

## Meeting Minutes

January 8, 2020

**Call to Order:** by Denise Alexander at 7:09 pm.

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

**Approval of Minutes:** November meeting minutes were approved with corrections.

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

### Officer and Committee Reports

-- **Treasurer:**

- Barbara reported a bank balance of \$2,473 with 61 paid members. \$1,314 will be available after next year's insurance payment. Details to follow via email.

-- **President:**

- USTA sent out a survey asking for feedback on the enrollment process for new officials. There also were some questions about interest in ITA officiating. It was a long survey that I didn't feel addressed some of the issues we are having with communicating with new officials.
- Attached are two lists that will be sent to all TOA assignors and Shadow Assignors. OfficialsFirst website contains some officials on sabbatical for personal reasons.
- The current TOA membership is 54 members. A third reminder was sent out again today to 6 certified officials.
- Notice was sent out to PNW TD's about the wage increase starting January 1, 2020 to \$19.00 per hour.
- Tim Smithers in Portland is not using Holly as Assignor. Denise is in contact and hopeful to convince him to use Assignors.

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

- Becky working with Jill Waters to find assignments.
- Mitch to follow up with Bonnie Henry and Erin McLarnon regarding certification.

-- **Workshop Committee:** (Denise, Barb S, Holly, Scott)

- Denise is looking into locations for a Roving workshop in Bend. Facilities will charge so USTA support is needed.
- Holly reported Chair workshop on January 5<sup>th</sup> had 6 attendees, limited by space. The trainer was Holly Straud and was well received by officials with a range of experience.
- Scott reported the Lines workshop on January 12 is full with 12 officials signed up. Trainers are Anne Burrell-Smith and Jason Tong.
- Scott raised the issue of reimbursement for workshop expenses. He recommended to bill PNW for expenses of both workshops and see what happens. Then contact National if payment denied by PNW.

- ITA training led by Darin Potkey will be held January 25<sup>th</sup> at UW, 7pm. Come earlier if possible. All officials are welcome. Denise will notify TOA membership in hope of recruiting more ITA.

-- **Grievance Committee:** (Denise, Scott, Becky)

- The previous situation involving Becky was not pursued. Nothing new to report.

## Old Business

- Denise will have a chance this weekend when in PDX to get prices on plaques for Honorary Members.
- Barbara submitted our donation to the Owen Klinger Memorial Scholarship and received a thank you letter. We did have one official who went rogue and solicited the membership for more donations. We were able to stop the process immediately and clear up the confusion.

## New Business

- **New Officials:** We have 16 people who are interested in becoming officials. The biggest issue Denise is finding is there is no way of knowing they exist unless we check the National database weekly. Since November we have helped 4 new officials get their F2 certification and pay their dues.
- **Recruiting:** There was discussion on recruiting methods such as contacting TD's or providing Adam with a link to our webpage. Holly, Denise & Becky (?) agreed to work on a marketing letter. No news yet on 2020 Recertification
- **Website:** Still need to update online calendar and New Officials Pathway for 2020 FAC, etc. The website domain (GoDaddy) and site host (Wordpress) need to be renewed.

## February Meeting Topics

- Roving and Chair workshops
- Plan for Annual Meeting
- Welcome parties and annual meeting recognition for new officials
- Opportunities for networking

**Directors Comments:** None

**Next Meeting:** February 5, 2020 at 7:00pm PDT.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Mitchell Roth, Secretary