

Pacific Northwest Tennis Officials Association

Meeting Minutes

September 2, 2020

Call to Order: by Scott Pennington at 7:15pm via Zoom.

Attendance: Denise Alexander, Barbara Anderson, Mitchell Roth, Camilla George, Tony Hernandez, Scott Pennington, Barb Silvey. **Excused:** Siamak Hajarizadeh, Holly Weyhrauch.

Approval of Agenda: Status of USTA Mentoring Program was added to Old Business.

Approval of Minutes: August minutes were approved with corrections.

Officer and Committee Reports

-- Treasurer:

- Bank balance: \$2354; available: \$1354.
- Beginning to prepare email for membership renewal. Barbara would like to simplify printable membership form to omit ratings. Mitch will edit and send to Barbara for approval.
- Discussion of membership dues to be added to Agenda of October meeting.

-- President:

- COVID-19 Updates:
 - USTA events:
 - All National Junior events cancelled through Oct. 12.
 - All Adult Category 1 events cancelled through end of 2020
 - Regional sanctioned events at discretion of Sectional policy/local health authorities.
 - ITA: Only sanctioned fall events will be "ITA Tour: Fall Circuit by UTR." These events are open to all UTR players. PNW events currently in schedule:
 - Bellevue, WA - Gorin Tennis Academy - Oct. 16-19
 - Bellevue, WA - Gorin Tennis Academy - Nov. 13-16
 - Events require minimum of 2 ITA-certified officials.
<https://www.wearecollegetennis.com/events/ita-fall-circuit/>
 - New events added today: Portland – Oct 9-12 and Oct 23-26.
 - Camilla noted Kirkland event had 186 entrants. More to come.
 - Denise suggested ITA assignors contact TDs directly to schedule officials.
 - Tony noted George Fox not using certified officials.
 - Scott will follow up with ITA on who is assigning/paying officials.
 - Professional: All U.S. ATP/WTA/ITF pro events cancelled through September except US Open in Queens.
 - Hawk-Eye Live on all courts in Queens except Ashe & Armstrong

-- PNW Sectional Chair: Denise

- Mitch Roth was nominated for the Nicolas Powell award but did not win. He will automatically be selected for the Grassroots Sectional Award.

-- **Shadow Assignors:** Denise, Barb S, Mitch, Camilla

- Prospect tracker file has been updated and posted in Google docs to be edited with current status. Encourage prospects to get ITA certifications. Look for Roving opportunities in UTR events.
- Camilla noted all her active F2's had a chance to shadow. Prospects should contact Courtney at ITA to begin certification.
- Denise commented on the importance of training with scorecards for ITA chairs.

-- **Workshop Committee:** Tony, Barb S., Denise

- Tony reviewed past workshop schedule. Planning to start with Roving clinic when play resumes. Noted that some tournaments are now being played in WA.

-- **Bylaws Committee:** Mitch, Barara A, Camilla

- Mitch will update and distribute current Bylaws incorporating 2018 amendments.

-- **Awards Committee:** Denise, Barb S.

- As Nicolas Powell nominee, the Grassroots Award will go to Mitch Roth.
- Denise will follow up on plaques for this year's awards.

Old Business

-- **USTA Mentor Program:** Denise reported that Jill Borgita, Siamak Hajarizadeh, Kristen Siebecker and Tony Hernandez were nominated to the program and have received welcome email confirming the selections. All other applicants have also been notified.

Directors Comments:

- Barb asked about the Welcome/Farewell messages to membership from Scott and Denise. They agreed to send them out within a week.
- Camilla suggested adding an Awards page on the website with current and past winners. Mitch agreed this is a good idea and will create a page and asked to be given the names of present and past winners.

Next Meeting: October 7, 2020 @ 7:00pm PST via Zoom.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:57pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Mitchell Roth, Secretary