

# Pacific Northwest Tennis Officials Association

## Meeting Minutes

July 13, 2022

**Call to Order:** by Scott Pennington at 7:10pm via Zoom.

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

**Approval of Agenda:** Agenda was approved as submitted.

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes for June 8, 2022 were approved as submitted.

### New Business

- **Officer Election:** Scott's term as President has ended. All other Officers (VP-Holly, Treasurer-Barbara, Secretary-Mitch) terms expire in 2023. Holly nominated Scott for President. There were no other nominations. Scott was re-elected unanimously. His term as President expires in 2024.

### Old Business

- **USTA/PNW 2022 Contract:** Valerie Weaks responded to proposed TOA contract with a number of changes that were distributed to the Board by email prior to the meeting. The major changes involved accommodations for travelling officials and timelines for assigning officials. PNW deleted language specifying single occupancy rooms when covid restrictions were in effect and same gender rooms for double occupancy. Language related to the timeliness of PNW requests for officials was deleted, while requiring 4 week notice of assignments from TOA. All TOA rate proposals were accepted by PNW.

After discussion, it was agreed that Scott would submit a counter-proposal reinstating the original accommodations provisions along with justification to comply with state and federal law, and to require 6 week lead time for requesting officials by PNW. It was also noted that TOA has been providing officials this year on very short (2 day) notice without a contract, but this is not acceptable in the future.

Camilla and others asked about restructuring the rates to allow for increases in pay and full day rates with overtime. While there was general agreement with these suggestions, it was felt that it is important to get this contract signed before the end of the 2022 season with minimal changes to the original proposal. Rate increases and related issues will be proposed in the 2023 contract negotiations, which are now only 2 months away.

- **2020-21 Award Nominations:** The floor was opened for nominations for the TOA awards covering the years 2020-21 and the results are summarized below. A membership vote will be held using ElectionRunner for Official of the Year and Rookie of the Year. The Nicholas Powel Award will be voted on by the Board only.
  - Perry Hines Official of the Year - The nominees were Camilla George (Ben Kwak), Holly Weyhrauch (Barbara Anderson) and Scott Pennington, who declined the nomination. Camilla and Holly will appear on the ballot.

- Mike Robb Rookie of the Year - The nominees were Jacob Moya (Barb Silvey) and Nancy Koeppen (Barbara Anderson). Scott will prepare the ballot and set up ElectionRunner to complete the vote by the next Board meeting.
- Nicholas E. Powel Award – Denise Alexander and Holly Weyrauch nominated Barb Silvey. There were no other nominations and the Board voted unanimously in favor of Barb Silvey. Denise and Holly will put together the application materials when USTA makes the formal call for Section nominations.

## Officer Reports

### -- Treasurer: Barbara

- No report

### -- President: Scott

- No report

## Committee Reports

### -- USTA Section Chair: Denise

- Valerie Weaks was named PNW Section Chair of Officials. Still working on developing communication channels with PNW.

### -- Shadow Assignors: Denise, Holly, Barb, Mitch, Camilla

- Denise has 3 college player prospects to contact.
- Barb will followup with six v-ball officials who expressed interest.
- Camilla reports one new prospect.

### -- Grievance Committee: Holly, Barbara, Siamak

- No report.

### -- Workshop Committee: Tony, Barb, Denise

- No workshops currently planned.
- Lack of pro events in PNW hampers opportunities for work and advancement, especially with the loss of line calling at top level events.
- Barb noted the need for an ITA clinic, but difficult to schedule. Possibility of TOA sponsored workshop was discussed. Gonzaga is supportive and available. Scott will inquire if ITA would provide trainer if TOA made all other arrangements.
- Camilla has put in a request for a line clinic at Central Park in Bellevue.

### -- Bylaws Committee: Mitch, Barbara, Camilla

- No report.

### -- Awards Committee: Denise, Barb

- Barb asked about Honorary status for Ivar Hushar. He mentored her and retired while Perry Hines was still active before the TOA was formed.

## Director Comments:

- Barb: What is status of Sam Sambrano? Doordash card via email bounced. It was reported he is no longer at Avamere. Barb will follow up and let us know how to reach him. [Barb reported that Sam is still at Avamere at the address posted on the website.]

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, August 3, 2022 @ 7:00pm PDT via Zoom.**

**Adjournment:** Denise moved, Holly 2<sup>nd</sup>, to adjourn at 9:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Mitchell Roth, Secretary