Pacific Northwest Tennis Officials Association

Meeting Minutes

October 4, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Denise Alexander at 7:05 pm.

Attendance: Denise Alexander, Mark Benecke, Mitchell Roth, Carl Beardsley, Holly Weyraunch, Chris Zablan and Siamak Hajarizadeh.

Absent: Barb Silvey

Approval of the minutes: Mitch made a motion to approve, Denise seconded the August meeting minutes. All approved. The September minutes submitted by Denise were moved to approve by Becky and Carl. All approved.

Treasurer report: Mark reported a bank balance of \$ 1,736.71. A renewal fee for our web site needs to be paid. Mitch will send the invoice to Mark for payment. All agreed.

Updates:

Awards:

Julie Dorr is receiving the PNW Grassroots Official of the Year 2017 award. Becky Martin agreed to coordinate a celebration for Julie. Anyone who has a fun story they would like to share about Julie, let Becky know. More to follow.

A get together for Kristen Siebecker is scheduled for October 11th at Buffalo Gap Saloon and Grill in Portland. Membership is invited to attend. Deadline to reply is October 7th.

A request for a listing of previous awards and the recipients to post on the WEB. Becky will research the award history.

Barb Silvey is still waiting for candidates for Sectional awards. Deadline was October 1st. The awards are for the Perry Hines Official of the Year, which is an outstanding official who demonstrates stellar work. The other award is the Mike Robb award for the Rookie of the year. All encouraged to forward nominees to Barb.

Oregon Assignor:

There were no responses for the Oregon Assignor position. Therefore, the current interim assignor will be voted on later in the meeting.

Guideline and Evaluation Standards for the ITA Assignor position:

Denise sent out a draft of the Guidelines and Evaluations for the assignor position. Additional input from the board and current assignors took place. Denise will edit and bring the final version to the board for final approval. The evaluations will take place 2018.

Sites for Workshops:

The Roving and Chair Workshops have been scheduled as follow:

Roving Clinic – Eastside Tennis Center, October 24th 2017.

Chair Clinic – Green Meadows, October 22nd 2017.

The training workshops are free. Both taught by Siamak.

Sign up through the Learning Center.

Deadline for USTA Certification, 2017:

The deadline for the learning courses is November 1st. The courses required are Roving II and Chair. The new certs deadline is not known yet. The sign up for the courses is through the USTA Learning Center. The process may be difficult. Denise and other board members are encouraged to help others to access the courses.

PNW USTA Adult Coordinator wants officials for 2018 sectionals:

Terrific news. Adam Hutchinson, USTA/PNW Adult coordinator has asked for roving officials at the 2018 sectionals.

Business Cards:

Business cards have arrived. Denise will distribute the cards to the board members to pass out to area officials.

Discussion:

Oregon Assignor position:

Voting took place to select the Oregon Assignor position. Holly Weyraunch has been the interim assignor and agreed to take the position officially. Denise nominated Holly for the position and Carl seconded. The vote by the board was unanimous. Congratulations to Holly – our new official Oregon Assignor.

Changes to the Guidelines and Evaluation Standards:

As previously discussed. The final version will be approved at the next board meeting.

Recommendations for our contact with PNW/USTA:

A lengthy discussion took place regarding our proposal for 2018 adult sectional official coverage. The proposal for Adam to agree upon covers assigning fees, hourly rates for rover and referee, housing, travel and the assigning of a deputy referee. The goal is to get our contract signed by the end of November.

Increase in fees:

Denise announced that the board will need to finalize the assigning fees, hourly rate for USTA officials and increase in membership dues.

Adjournment:

Denise made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Siamak seconded. All agreed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Next Meeting:

November 1st 2017, Wednesday at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Martin