

Pacific Northwest Tennis Officials Association

Annual Membership Meeting Minutes

April 12, 2023

Call to Order: by Scott Pennington at 7:05pm via Zoom.

Attendance: Directors: Holly Weyhrauch, Barbara Anderson, Mick Horton, Mitchell Roth, Camilla George, Denise Alexander, Tony Hernandez, Barb Silvey, Scott Pennington; **Members:** Don Kronenburg, Dolores Corley, Ted Schoenlien, Garrett Mau, Hardik Dalal, Lana Hansen, Mike Devenney, Roberto Castro, Zheng Mu, Jacob Moya, Robin Okubo.

Approval of Agenda: Agenda was approved as presented.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the March 1, 2023 meeting were approved as submitted.

Officer Reports

-- **Treasurer:** Barbara

- Two new members; 44 total paid.
- Bank balance: \$2406; Committed: \$1114; Available: \$1292.

-- **President:** Scott

- Tournaments are finally returning to normal and we are back to work. Lost some members to retirement and others moved out of Section. We welcome new members to ease the shortage of Officials. Recruiting new Officials remains a top priority.
- Turnover in the PNW staff has stabilized with Elece Fiocchi as Sectional Chair of Officials.
- USTA/PNW contract has been signed with new rates in effect for 2023. An Independent Contractor form is now required for all USTA hosted/directed events.

Committee Reports

-- **USTA Section Chair:** Denise

- Overview of relationship between TOA and PNW
- Much improved communication with Elece Fiocchi.

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

- Denise reported one new prospect from Tacoma and Lana Hansen is now F2.
- Camilla has 3 new prospects over the last 6 months and is producing a recruiting poster.

-- **Grievance Committee:** Holly, Barbara, Mick

- No report.

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

- Reviewed last year's Line and Roving workshops.
- Roving workshop is June 10. Organized by Camilla at Bellevue Pro Club.
- Chair workshop is June 24. Organized by Grace Abraides at Kirkland Central Park.
- Signup now for workshops on Learning Center to meet minimum enrollment numbers.

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

- No report.

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

- Denise gave an overview of TOA awards for Official and Rookie of the Year, Honorary Membership, and Sectional nominee for the Nicholas Powell award. These awards will be coming up later this summer.

New Business

- **Nominating/Election Committee:** Denise, Scott and Holly volunteered to organize the Board of Directors election. Nominations are open until the end of the Annual Membership Meeting.
- Expiring terms: Directors whose terms are expiring are: Camilla George, Tony Hernandez and Mick Horton. Mick has indicated he will run again. Camilla will run if no other nominees. Tony is not seeking reelection.
 - Nominations: Jacob Moya and Robin Okubo expressed interest in being candidates. After discussion about Director responsibilities, Robin withdrew his nomination and Jacob agreed to be nominated and will need to send his bio and photo to Denise to prepare the ballot.
 - Other members who were not in attendance were mentioned as possible nominees. Denise moved, Barbara 2nd, to close nominations on Thursday 4/13/23 at 8:00pm to allow more time to contact other nominees. Motion passed unanimously.
 - Krishnan Gowri subsequently accepted the nomination and Camilla George withdrew. Nominations closed at 8:00pm on Thursday 4/13/23.
 - The candidates for the Board of Directors are: Mick Horton, Jacob Moya and Krishnan Gowri.
 - The election will be conducted using the ElectionRunner software beginning about April 19 and continuing through May 2nd. Results will be available at the next Board meeting on May 3rd.

Director Comments:

- Mitch thanked all the Members who attended and participated in the meeting.
- Barb encouraged more Officials to become involved with the Mentor program, both as Mentors and Mentees.

Member Comments:

- Robin Okubo asked if the Roving workshop is needed to maintain certification. He also offered to mentor Zheng Mu.
- Ted Schoenlien highly recommended the recorded webinar on certification from last week that is available through the Learning Center.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 3, 2023 @ 7:00pm PDT via Zoom.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Mitchell Roth, Secretary