

Northwest Louisiana Community Tennis Association

Board Minutes – April 7, 2021

Call to Order – Joey Lawler, President

Attendance – Board members: Rhonda Rubben, Joey Lawler, Grady Wilson, Phillip Campbell, Albert Harrison, Chris Dudley, Willie Paz, Todd Killen

Others Present: Bill Phillips, Jay Boyd, Stevie Schmidt, Kaye Cochran, Bob Patterson, Tammie Harris, Audrey Robinson

Awards Attendees: All of the above and Rick Holland, Geri Cope, Lindsey Stuart, Jeremy Goodman, Gary Killen, and Sonia Killen

The Southern Award Luncheon with Bill Phillips, Southern Tennis Representative, was held prior to the board meeting honoring the Killen Family, The City Championship, and the CTA. Querbes Tennis Center was also acknowledged for their recent article in the New York Times and the CTA was on Talking Tennis Southern Style Podcast.

March minutes were approved. Motion by Rhonda Rubben, second by Albert Hardison

Executive Board Reports

Treasurer Report – Rhonda Rubben for John Liles

- Current Checking/Savings \$130,267.02
 - Play Tennis Bossier \$1039.60
 - Other Current Assets \$75,585.58 – Raymond James Investments
 - Accounts Receivable \$1500 – Community Partner Income (checks to be deposited this week)
 - QTC Funds \$3162.43
 - Total \$207,352.60
- 31,119.36 received Community Partners, Bill Oliver Tournament, Sports Commission, League, 70 Tournament
- Current total liabilities are \$23,203.02
 - Sports Comm & Team Tennis \$17,989, QTC \$3162, Credit Card \$1084, Acc Pay \$968
- Primary expenses \$553-Insurance, \$3296 70 Tourn, \$12,418 BO Tourn, \$298 Jr Tennis, \$431 Adult League

Presidents Report – Joey Lawler

- Requested funds be moved from RJ Investments of \$5000 to a Restricted account for the NWLA-CTA Scholarship Program for high school and college players. Motion by Grady, seconded by Albert Hardison, approved
- Requesting CTA funds (\$500) for Katy Build Tournament and (\$500) to the City Tournament for sponsorship for these events. Motion by Chris Dudley, seconded by Albert Hardison, approved

Vice President Report-Brian Bernard (report by Joey Lawler)

- Community Partner Report: 2020 Community Partners are also 2021 CP and have had additional partnership and contributed sponsorships for 2021. Report attached

Past Presidents Report- Rhonda Rubben

- Bill Oliver Tournament Recap – Had 186 participants, was a great success, Grady, Phillip and Potc staff did a great job, thank you to all that volunteered, supported, and played
- Querbes Cup-May 1 - Net Proceed go into the HS/College Scholarship Fund and will be honoring Steve Poke, Chris Mudd, and Erroll Simms
- Received \$1000 Diversity Grant for summer and fall programs. Working with SPAR on programming.
- Adapted PE Program at Southern Hills Rec Center was approved by CPSB and SPAR will begin in Oct. 2021. Tyler Semmes will work with Kirita Windham and CPSB with program.
- Administrative Coordinators Job has been posted and resumes are coming in.
- SALT is looking for more community involvement and is planning to have afterschool program at Creswell Elementary School. CTA will partner with SALT and a meeting has been plan.

Committee Reports

USTA/LTA/STA Reports – Jay Boyd/Grady Wilson/Philip Campbell

- Jay Boyd: Southern Foundation Scholarship – CTA approved to be a part of this scholarship program up to \$1000.
 - Key LTA Chairs: LTA/ CTA Committee-Rhonda Rubben; CTA Development-Bob Patterson; Pro Relations-Bill Phillips, Public Parks-Bill Phillips
- Grady Wilson: Junior programs new developments coming soon.

Public and Private Facilities-Pro Updates

- Southern Hills-JTT School Tennis-60
- POTC: Draft Party for 3.5, 4.0 Tri Level Teams Division-good success
- Cockrell: no report
- Querbes: Querbes Cup-One Day Event; Querbes Golf/Tennis Camps this summer/Summer Camps
- Natchitoches: Junior Development, Level 7 Tournament, Tennis Apprentice/Step Up League in May
- Bossier: 70s Tournament was a success; Junior Development on going; Tennis Apprentice-80 signed up

Marketing: Audrey Robinson

- LTA applications for monies (\$19,000) available for CTA facility marketing, more information to come.

Adult League-Tammie Harris, Rhonda Rubben and Tad Peterson

- We are up 146 players for Spring; Tri level down 132, but up by one team at 23 teams.
- Tri Level and Mixed leagues registering and completing schedule this month.

Community Coordinators Report: Kaye Cochran (see attached report)

- After school and junior development are ongoing at local clubs.
- Support of High School District/Regional Events is encouraged.
- YMCA Tennis Day-April 17 – Chris Dudley has partnered with the Y for this program. The CTA is giving prizes to participants.

New Business (none)

Meeting was adjourned. Motion by Albert Hardison, second by Rhonda Rubben

Respectfully submitted,

Kaye Cochran, Substitute Secretary