

Northwest Louisiana Community Tennis Association Minutes – April 3, 2013

1. The meeting was called to order by President Jay Boyd. Those in attendance include Elana Engleman, Phillip Campbell, Joe Thomas, Shelly Naisbitt, Sue Allender, Bonnie Cox, Bill Oliver, David Kimball, John Liles, Bob Patterson, Grady Wilson, Eddie Copete, Tammie Harris , Mike Renesan, Dan Beedle, and Terri Bianca.
2. A motion to waive the reading of the March minutes was made by Jay Boyd. Bill Oliver seconded the motion. All were in favor. The minutes stand as written.
3. Treasurer John Liles gave his report. The Red River Bank account for the 10 and Under grant has a balance of \$43,587.35. The Capital One Bank account has a balance of \$83,775.02. This includes the accounts of Play Tennis Bossier and North Bossier 10 and Under.
4. Robby Lockwood has resigned as the 10 and Under Coordinator due to being a new father of a baby boy. Our congratulations to Robby and his wife. Jay had a conversation with Bill Phillips in regards to carrying grant monies over from the previous year. Richard Verzaal and Jay met with a person from Minnesota in regards to being the 10 and Under Coordinator. Richard, Jay, Elana and Bill will meet in the future about filling this position. Bonnie Cox reported that the FDDOC Saturday Play Days have finished. Tatum Evert with KTBS Sports came to the event (Tatum use to play tennis). Alison Landry with KSLA has signed up for Fun, Friends and Fitness. Maybe we can get some media attention!!! Bonnie has the FDDOC Summer Program schedule. They will meet from 9 AM to 1 PM Monday through Friday on June 3 – 7 and June 10 – 14. If you are interested in helping, please contact Bonnie for additional details.
5. Community Coordinator Shelly Naisbitt gave her updates from March:
 - a. The FDDOC recap had 50 participants signed up. They had an average of 30 players on the play days with an average of 20 spectators/parents.
 - b. On the fundraising front, our goal is \$30,000. To date we have \$3,600. Shelly will be contacting the Rotary Club and Academy Sports. We will also be selling raffle tickets again this year for the U.S. Open Presidents Box. We hope to raise \$15,000 from the above contacts.
 - i. Shelly will have raffle tickets for sale (at \$20 each). And as in previous years, the winner will receive a day in the Presidents Box on the opening weekend of this years U.S. Open. Other prizes include rackets, league fess paid and CTA City Circuit entries paid. Posters will be placed at all tennis facilities and if you wish to help sell tickets or purchase a few tickets, please contact Shelly.
 - c. Barksdale Air Force Base canceled their air show so Smash Zone will not be coming to Shreveport/Bossier.
 - d. Junior Team Tennis is finishing up and we need to put together teams to compete at the State Tournament. We need a minimum of 2 teams,

three girls and three boys. Ages are 8 – 18 and the levels are beginner, intermediate and advance. Grady Wilson and Eddie Copete will help get the teams together.

6. On the marketing/10 and under fundraiser front, Bob Patterson has organized a fundraiser at Rotolo's Pizza. On Tuesday, April 30 from 5 PM to 9 PM, Rotolo's Pizza (1409 E. 70th Street, Shreveport) will give 10% of your bill to our CTA for the 10 and Under program. Just tell the server that you are a member of the USTA. This is a great way to help our program that is in need of equipment. Hope to see EVERYONE there, the food is buono!!!!
7. Flex League Coordinator, Tammie Harris, reported that the Spring Session of Flex league closed on April 1 with 72 players. The playing schedule was posted on April 4.
8. Mixed League Coordinator, Karen Jantz, will have a Captains meeting on Tuesday, May 7 at East Ridge Country Club at 6 PM. Match play will began June 1st. Tentative nights of play are as follows: Monday night (18+ adult/5.0, 8.0 and 40+ adult 6.0), Tuesday night (18+ adult/6.0, 9.0 and 40+ 8.0), Thursday night (18+ 7.0), Saturday morning (40+ adult 7.0), Sunday afternoon (55+ all levels). Team registration will be open May 1 – 28.
9. David Kimball reports that Shreveport Mayor Glover and SPAR are aware of the status of the court conditions at Southern Hills and Cockrell. Cockrell will be one of the hosting facilities for the High School Regional Tournament in April.
10. Jay Boyd said we need an adjustment to the board. We do need a representative to attend every meeting from each facility and from our surrounding areas (Minden, Natchitoches). This is so we may have a quorum in case of a vote. Eddie will contact Willy Paas about being a representative for Natchitoches. Terri Bianca will get with SALT to see about sending a representative. John Liles said he will check about the status of the NELaCTA in Monroe. Every teaching pro should serve on at least one committee.
11. The CTA City Circuit is in full swing. Remember to sign up by tennislink. Tammie Harris has graciously offered to do the standings. Sue Allender gave her last years standings and Becky Berry will help with the spread sheet and posting.

**NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY, MAY 1
NOON – EAST RIDGE COUNTRY CLUB**