

NORTHWEST LOUISIANA COMMUNITY TENNIS ASSOCIATION
"To promote and develop tennis in Northwest Louisiana"
Minutes – November 5, 2014

1. The meeting was called to order by President Kaye Cochran. Those in attendance include Bob Patterson, Sue Allender, John Liles, Jay Boyd, Sue Watts, Jennifer West, Phillip Campbell, Bonnie Cox, Tammie Harris, Eddie Copete, Grady Wilson, Mike Correal, Willie Paz, David Kimball, and Elana Engleman.
2. A motion to waive the reading of the October minutes was made by John Liles. Jay Boyd seconds the motion, the minutes stand as written.
3. Treasurer John Liles gave the monthly balance report. The Red River Bank account for the 10 and Under grant monies has a balance of \$50,764.34. This includes the account of FDDOC (\$792.33) and North Bossier 10 and Under (\$73.34). The general account at Capital One Bank has a balance of \$75,862.68. This account includes Play Tennis Bossier (\$1,964.89) and Rangel Memorial (\$465.00).
4. President Kaye Cochran gave her report. She is still working with the LTA in regards to the Community Coordinator position as well as Tennis Apprentice. Distribution of the final draft of the Volunteer Form was handed out to all the tennis facilities. She attended a beginner adult program with Phil Trahan in Ruston (had a great time, very upbeat). Approved sponsorship of the St. Jude Tournament. Confirmed date for the Tennis Appreciation Party. Set up representatives of the NWLaCTA to attend the national tennis workshop in Atlanta.
5. John Liles reported on the numbers for the CGPG. These numbers (USTA members, league participation and Jr. Team Tennis) must be submitted to state by December 12th. Our numbers are good for league participation since our Trilevel and Flex league numbers have increased as well as Combo.
6. Phillip Campbell wanted to report from the LTA Board meeting that in 2015 the league fees will increase \$1 per person. The State team fees will also increase \$5 per team (\$31 to the hosting CTA and \$9 to LTA). The local fee increase is due to providing funds for league winner prizes (towels, cups, etc.). In previous years Southern has absorbed the cost, but will no longer, instead it will come from league fees.
 - a. Another change in the tournament bid contract will be that the LTA will be needing two comp rooms and that the tournament referee will be paid \$150 a day.
 - b. Our CTA will be well represented on the LTA board in 2015-2016. Bob Patterson will be the North Representative; Jay Boyd will be on the Executive Committee; Grady Wilson will be the Tennis Pro Representative and John Liles and Phillip Campbell are Past Presidents.
 - c. The Annual LTA Meeting will be held on Saturday, December 6 in Baton Rouge. At which time some of our members will be awarded year end accolades. They are: Grady Wilson: Pro of the Year; the Grady Wilson Family: Tennis Family of the Year; Tammie Harris: Spirit Award and TriLevel Coordinator of the Year; Jay Boyd: Volunteer Service Award. Plus quite a few merit award winners.
7. Kaye was to let everyone know that Mike Correal and Willie Paz will be our representatives to the National CTW workshop in Atlanta on November 7 – 9.
8. Bob Patterson has been working with Diana Beauregard with the LTA to firm up the job description for our new Community Coordinator. Right now our job description is more of a marketing position that should be paid by our CTA, not by the LTA. Bob is going to re-work the job description once again so it will encompass what the LTA expects from our Community Coordinator.
9. Also the date has been set for the NWLaCTA Player Appreciation Party. It will be held Thursday, January 22 at East Ridge Country Club from 6:30 to 8:30. This will be a SOCIAL event honoring our local players, league, SALT, juniors, etc. Save the date. If you are interested in helping with this celebration, please contact Kaye Cochran.
10. 10 and Under Coordinator, David Kimball, contacted all the Pros in regards to our 10 and Under programs. He hopes to hear from the Pros in regards to things that our CTA can do to help and assist their 10 and under programs.
11. Combo League Coordinator, Karen Jantz, sent to the meeting the final combo league numbers, 977 a record total!!! Just a reminder to all Combo players, 18 and over State will be held in Shreveport-

- Bossier on November 7 – 9; 55 and Over Combo State will be held in Baton Rouge on November 14 – 16; and 40 and Over Combo State will be held in Monroe on November 21 – 23.
12. League Coordinator Bob Patterson and Tammie Harris plan to have the 2015 Captains meeting during the second week of December at North Bossier Tennis Center. For exact time and date, check the NWLaCTA website or with your tennis facility.
 13. The Pros will be meeting after the SALT luncheon on December 9 to go over the 2015 tournament calendar. Hopefully we will have USTA League State/Sectional dates. David Kimball will be there for our Junior Program as well as Kaye Cochran. Elana Engleman will see about the CTA Tournament dates for January, February and March with the finals to be played in April.
 14. As mentioned earlier, the 18 and Over Combo State tournament will be held here November 7 – 9. Elana Engleman has a Player Party set for Friday evening from 6 – 8 at the Horseshoe Casino. Door prizes are needed. The Site Directors will be meeting Thursday at North Bossier Tennis Center. Good luck to all of our players who will be competing at the tournament.
 15. Phillip Campbell wanted everyone to know that Ryan Harrison will be hosting a clinic for juniors and adults as well as a demonstration on Saturday November 22 at Southern Trace Country Club. This is for the Wounded Warrior organization. For additional information, please contact Southern Trace.

**NEXT MEETING, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2014
NOON – EAST RIDGE COUNTRY CLUB**