

NORTHWEST LOUISIANA COMMUNITY TENNIS ASSOCIATION
"To promote and develop tennis in Northwest Louisiana"
Minutes – August 3, 2016

1. The meeting was called to order by President Bob Patterson. Those in attendance include John Liles, Sue Allender, David Kimball, Mike Correal, Karen Jantz, Phillip Campbell, Bonnie Cox, Jay Boyd, Robert Verzaal, Tammy Harris and Angela Pfanner.
2. A motion to waive the reading of the July minutes was made by David Kimball, Bob Patterson second the motion. All were in favor. The minutes stand as written.
3. Treasurer John Liles gave his report on the bank balances as of July 31. The Red River Bank account for the 10 and under grant monies has a balance of \$48,053.11. This does include the FDDOC account (\$91.43). The Capital One Bank account has a balance of \$92,767.22 and includes the Play Tennis Bossier account (\$1,464.80) and the Serve Love account (\$425.00).
4. President Bob Patterson gave his monthly report:
 - a. The Adult Mixed League is winding down and Tri Level State is coming up in Baton Rouge. The Adult Combo league Captain's meeting was held last night (August 2) and around 30 Captain's (some first timers!!!) attended.
 - b. Any news on the new Pro for the North Bossier Tennis Complex? Jay Boyd did report that the city council should have an answer by tomorrow (August 4).
 - c. State tournament bids have been sent out for the 2017 and 2018 season. We have requested our usual tournaments as well as the 40+ Mixed. The LTA Board will meet in September and vote for the host sites at the meeting.
 - d. A Local League Coordinator meeting will be held in Baton Rouge on October 8 (Saturday morning) and we will be needing representation. Jay Boyd will be there for another meeting so he can represent our CTA. Bob asked if Robert Verzaal could also attend since Freddy wanted to discuss the Tennis Apprentice and Step Up League programs. He said he would.
 - e. The LTA is hosting the annual CTA Workshop on Friday December 2, prior to the LTA Awards meeting in Lafayette. It should be informative and fun. Please put it on your calendar.
 - f. On August 26-28 the Natchitoches Women's Care/NSU Lady Demons Classic will be held in Natchitoches. This is a great tournament for a great cause. For additional information please contact Coach Patric DuBois at 318-352-5001.
5. Vice-President and Marketing Chairman, Mike Correal handed out note pads, pens, and showed us a water bottle and frizz bee, with our name and website printed on them, to be handed out as promotional items. He has stickers for the 10 and under players and any of these items would be great for Tennis Apprentice, hitting for prizes, etc.
6. 10 and Under advisor, Jay Boyd, wanted to let everyone know that Bill Phillips with Southern would be in town on Wednesday, August 10 for a meeting. He asked if Robert Verzaal and David Kimball would be available to attend this meeting.

7. 10 and Under Coordinator, Angela Pfanner, and Community Coordinator, Kaye Cochran (who was unable to attend the meeting) have been working hard with the Junior Novice Tournaments (August 13 at Querbes) and 10 and Under sessions. 10 and Under sessions will be held at North Bossier Tennis Complex and Willie Paz will be holding a session in Natchitoches.
 - a. Play Days have been scheduled for August 20 in Natchitoches from 11 – 1; August 27 at Southern Hills from 9 – 10:30 and North Bossier from 11 – 1.
 - b. A Festival Play Day and welcome party will be held at North Bossier as soon as the new tennis Pro is in residence.
 - c. The Red River Revel is just around the corner and Bob Patterson made a motion that we have a booth at the festival like we did last year. Jay Boyd second the motion, all were in favor. The cost will be \$500 for the weekend and Angela suggested the opening weekend, October 1 and 2. The hours will be 10 am to 11 pm and we will be in need of volunteers to man the booth to answer questions about our CTA, 10 and Under Tennis and other programs that we have available. It looks like we would need three people per shift working a three hour shift. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Bob or Angela.
8. Grady Wilson reported that the LTA held a board of directors meeting on July 16. As mentioned last month, the big news was the return of the Sugar Bowl Junior Tournament in New Orleans this winter.
9. Mixed Coordinator, Karen Jantz, reported that the mixed league is winding down. We had 695 players sign up for the league this year; down 89 players from last year (we also did have a day league last year that we did not have this year). Numbers have been down across the state. Karen has been looking at league awards and a few of the teams have quite a few players on their teams (32 in one level), so she will be looking at cost effective awards!
10. Combo Coordinator, Karen Jantz (doing double duty in the summer), as mentioned earlier, had a good turnout for the Combo Captains meeting. There were some new captains at the meeting, a great thing to see. A reminder that Captains have until August 23rd for team sign-up.
11. Nominations Coordinator, Bonnie Cox, reminded everyone that it is that time to get your nominations filled out for the LTA Awards. Nominations are due September 23rd. She went over the list of awards and we recommended a few of the nominations. The complete list is available on the LTA website. If you have been asked to nominate an event, PLEASE FOLLOW THROUGH WITH THE PAPER WORK. We know it can be time consuming, but we are so proud of everything our CTA does and would like the whole state to know about it.

**NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2016
NOON – EAST RIDGE COUNTRY CLUB**