

President Dan Estes called the meeting to order and a quorum was confirmed. The following members were present: President-Dan Estes, Vice-President-Chris Bodry, Treasurer-, Secretary-Marla Goodwin, Executive Secretary- Cathy Russell, Paul Fultz, Laura Huss, Mike Newsom and Sylvia Poll

MINUTES - Minutes from the November 20, 2017 meeting were approved.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT –Dan Estes

Arlington courts will be at the Sports Complex and a builder could be selected in February with groundbreaking possible in the summer of 2018.

Dan will not run or accept nominations for President at the end of his term in 2018

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT –Cathy Russell

Cathy reported the Statement of Financial Position as of December 31, 2017 and Statement of Activity January-December 2017

Cathy has pdf copies of the directory and they are available to email to members as requested.

LEAGUE REPORTS

Chris Bodry – Tri-Level

Registration in March and play will go to end of July depending on number of teams. Chis will work on different ways to increase participation in Tri-Level that he included in his 2018 budget. He will work with a few different clubs, thinking of Wolbrect and SGIS.

Chris will follow up with Jason at the state level on the new leagues and will include Mike Newsom.

Laura Huss -JTT & LCC

Local League Coordinator - Junior Team Tennis

Registration for 18U Junior Varsity winter indoor league closes January 28th. Match play begins first weekend in February. Registration for Spring Junior Team Tennis opens on February 1st with match play beginning the first weekend in April. We will also plan for school spring intramurals again, and details are being confirmed. Attended the USTA Southern Annual Meeting this past weekend as part of the Schools Committee. The focus for 2018 is the roll out of Net Generation, the new youth brand for the USTA. Also, this year Tennessee had four Southern annual award winners. Coach Carla Brangenberg was awarded the Mac MacDougal Tennis Official of the Year. The 2018 Junior Team Tennis calendar is available at www.memphisjrtennis.org.

Local Community Coordinator

Serving on the USTA Tennessee Community Outreach Committee for 2018-19 and will be attending the state annual meeting in Nashville this upcoming weekend. Submitted grant accountability for the Southern Tennis Patrons Foundation grant we received last year. Serving on Tennis Memphis' A Serving for Tennis committee. This Tennis Memphis event to benefit players in the NJTL programs will be on April 27, 2018 at Propcellar. This is the largest fundraiser for the at-risk youth served by NJTL and very important for us to support. Needs are: restaurants who'll participate in the food tasting portion of the night, product or gift certificate donations for the silent auction, and bulk donations for the guest goody bags. Let me know if you have connections for any of those, and I can get you the details and letters of support you'll need.

MTA Scholarship application for 2018 high school seniors is online via JotForm. The deadline is April 15th, with recipients to be announced on May 1, 2018.

Tennis in Schools - Eleven SCS schools are scheduled for tennis in PE as part of our loaner equipment program. Goal is for each school to be registered Net Generation providers so that they can receive their own equipment pack and curricula.

Major focus in 2018 on growing the local base of Net Generation providers before the consumer roll out in May of 2018.

Rewards Program - With the grant we were awarded from national office for Junior Team Tennis, a rewards program was put into place for pros and schools for fall 2017 & winter 2018. The fall coaches We were very pleased with their incentives, and we'll be able to do so for the winter coaches as well.

COMMITTEES REPORTS

Resource Development Committee (Marketing / Promotions / Awards)- Paul reported on the Leftwich project which will be joint with U of M

Nominating Committee – Chris Bodry was re-elected as vice-president and Marla Goodwin was re-elected as Secretary

Grant Committee-2018 Grant was based on previous Grant and was denied by the state. A revised grant was re-submitted and approved. If anyone has any information that needs to be posted to One-Drive please let Dan, John or Marla know.

Rules Committee- Chris will let us know of any local rule changes in the next few weeks

ADJOURNED- Next meeting will be Monday, March 19, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at Palm Coast Imports, LLC.

Submitted by Marla Goodwin, MTA Secretary