

Abilene Tennis Association Board Meeting – June 27, 2016

Members present: Rich Bryan, Sheila Kidd, Beverly Guthrie, Christy Adkins, and Mary Noel Corn, Rick Meyers, Jimmy Schaeffer, Julie Beckham and Kevin Crousen were not present

Business

The board could not approve May minutes, because none were taken at the meeting.

President – Rick Meyers

Not available

Treasurer's Report - Sheila

Sheila gave treasurer's report, Beverly made a motion to approve, Christy seconded it, all approved.

Vice-President – Rich Bryan/Adult League Committee Chair

Met with adult league coordinators to include them in US Open ticket sales

Instructed coordinators to send me their completed 2017 league breakdown w/ numbers
Called Tosha Smith about next year's league sectionals calendar & bidding process (Aug)
Discussed with coordinators about potential bidding options for 2017

These are the three that we feel is best suited for Abilene in priority order

1) Men & Women's 55 & Over 2) Mixed 55 & Over 3) Mixed 18 & Over
Spoke to Debi Schultz about making sure she was in the loop on these potential bids
1) End Sept / 30 courts / 3 sites 2) Nov / 1 site & location 3) Oct / 1 site & location
Coordinators working to get league players involved in group lessons
55 & over leagues starting up now (2 teams 7.0 & 8.0 Women - trying to get an 8.0 Men's)
18 & over mixed leagues starting up as well
2 teams competed in Sectionals for Mixed 40 & Over in San Antonio
Women's 18 & Over QT - 2 teams competing at Austin in July
2 other women's teams already qualified for Sectionals in Aug at Dallas/Richardson
Men's 4.5 plus 40 & over going to Sectionals in San Antonio in September
Adult Men's Wednesday League finished 2nd series. 3rd series started 22 June

Question on Sanction fees for 2017 youth & adult tournaments??? Talked about making sure everyone was on the same page for tournaments and try not to overlap

Tennis Events Committee – Mary Noel Corn & Christy Adkins

Banquet was all paid. Working on selling the US Open tickets, trying to reach 500, and the details of doing the drawing on July 17, 2016, after the costs, the proceeds will go to the Junior tennis programs.

Junior Tennis Development– Julie Beckham:

- Abilene USTA Tournaments - Next local tourney is SCMZ on July 15-18. TShirts will be ordered for this event in early July. Tennis Express will send gift card giveaways. Player party will be Friday night at 6:30 at Rose Park, please come help welcome families to Abilene.
- West Texas Junior Tournament Swing for 2016: collaborating with CTAs across West Texas to coordinate upcoming USTA Open-level sanctioned events to better support our West Texas Junior Tennis

players. Our Abilene Classics are in February, July, and Nov/Dec for 2016. So far in 2016, our Abilene players are attending most of our West Texas neighbor tournaments each month.

- JTT leagues Abilene: Fall League registration starts in August. Melinda will be sending out reminder emails. After contacting many captains and players, Melinda determined that no one was interested in playing a summer JTT league.
- USTA Texas: USTA JTT Fall Sectionals will be in Abilene Nov 11-13. Starting next year JTT sectionals will be at Newks for Spring again every year. And USTA Texas will bid out Summer and Fall sectionals only.
- Awards - ATA Banquet: We have been selling US Open raffle tickets for drawing at JTT events. Tennis Express will send gift cards to support banquet too.

USPTA Junior Team Abilene 2016: Kevin Crousen will be team captain for 2016 Team. Abilene team full payment has been sent and confirmed received. Our area Challenger players that are highest on the USTA early August, 2016 ranking lists will be invited to play on team in early August. Championships are at Newks Sept 16-18 weekend.

Tournament Committee Report – Julie Beckham/Beverly Guthrie

No report at this time

Officials/Referees – Kevin Crousen:

Scholarship Committee – Jimmy Schaeffer:

Not at meeting.

Guests:

None

Next meeting will be July 25, 2016

Adjourned at 8:15