

NOMATA Board Meeting Minutes

1/15/2013

The meeting was called to order at 12:50 by President Henry Crocker.

The following members were present: Henry Crocker, Chris Dazet, Kathy Hinrichs, Elizabeth Hamlin, Diane Simpson, and Sandy Huston.

TREASURER'S REPORT: no report

ADULT LEAGUE REPORT:

Kathy gave a report on the Adult League. Participation totals are down from 2012 by 9% or 193 players. The reasons seem to be the USTA age restructuring, players not registering on more than one team, and 3.0 rated men's participation was very low-- not enough 3.0 men to support a league. At the Southern level, Kathy reported that their emphasis is on growth and customer support, two issues especially needed with the low participation numbers. Thanks to the cooperation of private clubs in the New Orleans area we were able to field 5 court matches in (18+ and 40+) both day and night leagues this spring.

JUNIOR COMMITTEE REPORT:

Diane Simpson reported that the Stern Tennis Center will be hosting a 10 and under play day on February 2 and it will feature former professional player, Chanda Rubin. NOMATA will host a 10 and under Tennis Carnival at Audubon Park Tennis Center on February 23 from 1:30pm-3:00pm. Elizabeth is looking at getting an ad in the Times-Picayune. Sandy will email flyers to our 10 and under database. Junior Team Tennis registration will begin on February 18 with league play beginning on March 16. The JTT State Tournament will be held in Baton Rouge on June 21-22.

Five elementary school assemblies have been scheduled: January 24 @ St. Clement of Rome, January 25 at Hazel Park, January 31 at Kehoe-France, and February 6 at St. George's and February 8 @ Newman. Children from those assemblies will be encouraged to attend the Tennis Carnival and also sign up to play Junior Team Tennis.

PRO AFFILIATION REPORT:

Chris Dazet reported that a meeting for area pros will be on February 11 at Beach Club. Lunch provided by NOMATA. There was great success with our Fun, Friends, and Fitness program in the fall, so we will plan a spring program also. Chris also suggested a pilot program for elementary schools to have tennis teams for 10 and under kids. It would serve as a way to encourage kids from the school assemblies to continue playing tennis.

OLD BUSINESS:

The State Community Tennis Association Development meeting is scheduled for February 15-16. At least one member from NOMATA will attend.

NEW BUSINESS:

Kathy presented a gift to Henry for his work as 2011/12 President of NOMATA.

Slate of Officers for the 2013/14 term: Voted and unanimously passed as follows:

Kathy Hinrichs-President

Diane Simpson-Vice President

Lana Whitlow-Secretary

Bob Browning-Treasurer

Kathy stated that the Executive Committee will meet and identify the roles & responsibilities of each Board member and Committee Chairman. Once this task is complete, the list will be sent to every member and they can evaluate what role they are best suited.

Henry suggested we recruit a coordinator to help beginner teams. He suggested someone be available to answer questions that arise during league match play; such as forfeits, court calls, etc.

Kathy said we need to look for a new Community Coordinator to replace her.

Kathy announced that the LSU Tennis on Campus team won the Club of the Year award from Southern.

ADJOURNED:

The next NOMATA board meeting is scheduled for February 19 at 12:30 at Metairie Country Club. The meeting was adjourned at 1:55.