

RCTA BOARD of Directors Meeting Minutes

Thursday, July 30, 2015 at Madison/Mayodan Senior Center

Attending: Jackie Cantrell, Ann Fair, Alyssa Mann, Shelby Rhyne, Fred Thompson

Our third meeting of the RCTA Board of Directors opened with Shelby Rhyne, Executive Director, extending a thank you and welcome to all in attendance.

Our meeting began with Executive Director reviewing her report (attached).

Chairman, Fred Thompson made a motion to vote in Alyssa Mann as Board Member at large and the motion was seconded by Ann Fair and all accepted motion and motion was carried.

Shelby Rhyne paid herself \$100.00 through July. The motion was made by Fred Thompson that the Executive Directive would receive yearly \$1,000.00 and seconded by Jackie Cantrell. All accepted the motion and motion was carried.

We discussed if we want to add more members to our Board. Board reviewed progress already made by RCTA and Fred Thompson gave his opinion that, "We don't need to enlarge at this time".

Fred Thompson brought subject up again rather or not Shelby Rhyne should be permitted to vote. Shelby Rhyne stated she shouldn't be able to vote if issue being voted on was a conflict of interest concerning her personally. Shelby Rhyne stated she should be permitted to vote if there wasn't enough Board members present to make a Quorum.

Shelby Rhyne brought up subject of inviting Amy Franklin to attend our October 15th meeting.

Rockingham County Schools are planning to replace the Tennis Courts at McMichael High Schools in Mayodan.

Alyssa Mann stated she would ask her husband to speak with Mack McMichael about the RC Tennis grant application to fund 2016 Summer Kids Tennis Clubs.

Fred Thompson made motion to adjourn the meeting and Jackie Cantrell seconded motion. All accepted motion and meeting ended around 7:00pm.

Next RCTA Board Meeting will be Thursday October 15, 2015. Location to be determined.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

July 30, 2015

PROGRAM

- **SPRING Junior Team Tennis** at Jaycee Park in Reidsville was a SUCCESS. We had 40 young players register and played 4 matches in two age groups. We played one match indoors and used a modified red ball format. We finished with a pizza/ice cream celebration where every player received a participation medal. Bitrus Istifanus hosted 4 team practices. An Anonymous donor donated \$500 to pay for player registration.
- **Family Play Days** We hosted 6 Family Play Days at Carlyle Lewis in Madison. Attendance ranged from 2 families to 7. We gave away six free family packs of tennis for opening night at the W-S Open Tournament. (Income \$200)
- Weekly **Kids Tennis Club** are wrapping up with a Play Day and Free Racket Give Away at four summer camp locations. 240 rackets will be given away spending \$2124 of the \$2500 allotted for equipment purchase from the Reidsville Area Foundation grant to young players at Parkview Village (42), Boys & Girls Club of Eden (44), Bridge Street Recreation Center (27), Eden Family Y (63), Reidsville Family Y (30), Junior Team Tennis (13). We have four summer interns participating. We will spend \$1690 of the \$2500 allotted for interns from the Reidsville Area Foundation grant.
- **RCS Kids Companion Summer Camp** paid for their Kids Tennis Club coaches fees and 154 racket/ball purchase. (Income: \$650)
- **RCC Eaglemania Summer Camp** had 11 participants in week one led by Sarah Cochran and Bitrus Istifanus and 6 players in week two with Alyssa Mann. RCC paid us \$1080 to host the class and we paid Bitrus and Alyssa a total of \$400.
- RC Tennis also hosted schools PE tennis demos at New Vision and Draper Elementary, GO FAR Community Showcase, spoke to the RC Commissioner's May meeting, Young Family Connects family festival, clinics at Betsy-Jeff Penn 4H Summer Camp, Reidsville Market Non-Profit Day, Di'lishi Yogurt and the Eden Family Parade.

PUBLICITY

- The **April Eden's Own Journal** monthly "Tennis Talk" column continues.
- **KBR Charitable Trust** featured RC Tennis in their Summer RC Healthy Places newsletter and a letter to the Editor at Rockingham Now.
- We continue to post regularly about RC Tennis Events on Facebook pages across Rockingham County as well as update our [NEWS](#) and [EVENTS](#) Calendar sections of our webpage.
- Our August Constant Contact newsletter will go out soon to 350 on our mailing list.

GRANTS

- We received **\$45 Amazon gift certificates** from USTA for registering March Play Days and Kids Tennis Clubs on www.youthtennis.com. We purchased grip tape to re-wrap 30 youth tennis rackets and colored rubber wristbands for team games.
- USTA grants for Coach Youth Tennis Workshop (\$300), new JTT teams (\$400),
- USTA Grant were received to purchase equipment for SOS Middle School Kids Tennis Club (\$1000) and for New Reidsville Housing Authority (\$840) and to reimburse blended lines painted at WR YMCA (\$335).

- Corporate Donation from Xerox Community Involvement Program (\$1000). And one anonymous donation of \$500 for JTT scholarship.
- We submitted a grant to the **McMichael Family Foundation** to fund our summer programs for the next 3 years. We requested \$6000 for each year. Grant awards/notifications are received by October 1.
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ADVOCACY

- Met with Sonja Parks, and E. C. Stophel, Director of Maintenance and Brian Wright to continue to discuss McMichael HS tennis Courts. Sonja has asked Timmons Group to present a proposal to present to the RCS Board of Education in August and request to let bids at the September Board meeting. I will meet with her and the Timmons Group engineer to review plans next week.
- Met with Calvin Allen and Brandy Bynum of Rural NC to discuss a creating a RC Tennis, Parks and Recreation collaboration to search for grant money to resurface tennis courts. A second meeting with KBR Charitable Trust Program Director Allen Smart is scheduled in August 3.

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 3 Final Family Play Day at Carlyle Lewis courts in Madison

August 3-11 Final Play Days with each Summer Day Camp Kids Tennis Club

August 19 Andrew Waldrop from NC Tennis will hold School Tennis Training at Rockingham Middle School gym at 8:30am

August 22 and 23 Brenner Kids Tennis Play Day events at Winston Salem Open

September 13 FALL Junior Team Tennis Kick Off and 4 match season begin

September 18-20 McDonalds Fall Junior Open L4 tournament at Eden Family Y

September 20 Girls World Expo in Winston-Salem

NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Board Development Workshop with Amy Franklin from USTA NC scheduled for evening of Thursday October 15. Location and time to be discussed.