USTA RI Minutes 2-25-25

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**ATTENDEES**

Doug Chapman (Pres.), Paul Brazenor (Sec), Terence Charles (Tres), John Jasionowski, Alan Dyl, Frank Laliberte (VP), Mike Gorman, Marguerite Marano

**ABSENT**

Steve Cohen

**Also in Attendance**:

**February 25, 2025, 7pm**

**CLCF, Cranston, RI**

**AGENDA**

- Approval of Minutes  
- Treasurer's Report  
- President's Report (Doug Chapman)

- Adult Leagues Report (Alan Dyl)

- Tennis Hall of Fame Report

- High School Tennis Report  
- USTA New England Report

**OLD BUSINESS**

·        High School Coaches Workshop

\*    League Committee composition/application

·       Brucks Scholarship

·       Website

**NEW BUSINESS**

- RI Club Owners & Managers Summit

- Board Composition

- Grant requests/accountability

- Any other new business

Submitted by Doug 2/25/25

Douglas Chapman, President

Frank Laliberte, Vice President

Terry Charles, Treasurer

Paul Brazenor, Secretary

Steve Cohen

Alan Dyl, Adult League Chair

Mike Gorman

John Jasionowski

Marguerite Marano, Hall of Fame Representative

**2025 USTA RI Board of Directors Schedule**

Tuesday, Feb. 25, 7:00 pm

Saturday, March 29, 11 am (Annual Meeting), 11:30 am (Regular meeting)

Monday, May 5, 7:00 pm

Thursday, June 19, 7:00 pm

Wednesday, Aug. 20, 7:00 pm

Tuesday, Oct. 28, 7:00

December Annual Holiday Dinner, TBA

(All meetings at CLCF, Cranston RI).

**ACTION ITEMS**

725 meeting called to order

726 motion to accept minutes from 10/24 by mike, seconded by terry

728 treasurers report filed

A motion was made "To field proposals from prospective website developers" proposed by Terry / seconded by John.

Notes:

Usta to make no changes to DEI

Usta wants all associations to exhaust their funds and threaten to claw back previous grants

Usta league upping registrations another $3.00 to $28.15

The unique number of players went up by 2%. registrations up 8%

Notes taken by Terry:

High School Coaches workshop - being held 3/16/2025 at West Bay. While Eastern MA is charging their attendees $60/pp and another club $50/pp we are holding attendance at $25/pp with all fees going to the Scholarship Fund.

League Committee composition/application - Doug creating JotForm application for each RI tennis club. May get more diverse applications this way.

Brucks Scholarship - 4 applications received, 3 went to Sandy 1 to Doug. Doug & Terry reviewed separately and came up with a winner Tabatha Gooding from Narragansett High School.

Website - needs to be updated and from scratch-will source bids from professional website developers. Looking to have a more professional website by Fall 2025. **A motion was made "To field proposals from prospective website developers" proposed by Terry seconded by John.**

NEW BUSINESS

RI Cub Owners & Managers Summit - Bill Mountford from HoF is proposing having a summit with RI tennis club owners at the HoF. The goal is sharing resources and best practices. USTARI will provide lunch.

Board Composition - Doug felt the board is in need of a rehaul, perhaps an increase in membership or not. We will discuss it at next meeting. Terry proposed a slate from the Nominating Committee, but they chose 4 of the 6 applicants, should have chosen 3. The committee will meet again and provide a new slate. Terry will notify Doug prior to the next Annual Meeting.

Grant Requests- no new grants.