USTA RI

BOARD MEETING 2/15/23

Prepared and submitted by Paul Brazenor (sec.)

horizontal line 7:00pm CLCF

# ATTENDEES

Doug Chapman (Pres.), Sandra Sweet (VP), Paul Brazenor (Sec.), Alan Dyl, Frank Laliberte, John Jasionowski, Marguerite Marano.

OTHERS

Charlie Michaelman (ALC), Woody Freeman (TSR), Nils Weldy (Aceing Autism)

ABSENTEES

Mike Gorman, Steve Cohen, Terence Charles (Tres.)

# AGENDA…… as submitted by Doug Chapman

- Approval of Minutes (Paul Brazenor)

- Treasurer's Report (sent by Terry Charles)

- President's Report (Doug Chapman)

- Board changes; Website; Social media policy; Nominating; Grant/Leagues; Central Falls; HoF Althea Gibson program; National meeting

- Adult Leagues Report (Alan Dyl/Charlie Michaelman)

- Tennis Hall of Fame Report

- High School Tennis Report

- USTA New England Report

**OLD BUSINESS**

- High School Coaches Workshop

- Board Size

- Brucks Scholarship

- Free Lesson Days

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Aceing Autism

- High School tennis preseason

- Grant requests

- Any other new business

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# ACTIONS & NOTES

7:04pm Meeting called to order

7:05pm Motion to accept minutes from 8/2022 meeting by Frank, Seconded by Alan…Approved

7:06pm Treasurer's report filed

7:09pm Announcement that Mo Raissi and Patricia Decker have resigned from the RI Board

Mark Stenning to Represent RI for the NE board nominating committee

Mike Gorman, Sandy Sweet and Terry Charles are the 2023 nominating committee.

Borges request.to be decided by the ALC

ALC to decide what to do with their $4400 surplus.

Central falls court to be built in spring23

7:41pm

Doug– Althea Gibson night 6pm 2/27 @ ITHF

$25pp…USTA RI will pay for any board members who want to attend

7:43pm

Doug going to the national meeting in Arizona

NE will now reimburse only $1500…. state assoc expected to pay the balance

7:46pm

Adult leagues report

Alan…National changing 40+ Championship format to 1s & 4d

Charlie…. 7 more teams to this point than last year due to Tri-Level increase but less players overall

Any player wishing to play for a USTA team for the ITHF, who is not already a member of the ITHF will be charged a $100 summer membership fee by the ITHF. USTARI and the ALC will not interfere with ITHF business nor advocate against this policy. The ALC, however, will aid teams and/or players to relocate if they should decide to.

Approx 240 players could be affected

8:10pm

HOF report/ Marguerite …ITHF searching for a new CEO

July 16-23 Infosys tournament

8:40pm

Frank is working on details for the HS coaches workshop. Brown university unable to provide a space for 2023

Wed June 14th –6:30pm –Wrights Farm – high school boys banquet

8:55pm

Doug- discussion to change the number of board members from 12 to 9,

Doug wants quorum to be changed from 5 to 4

9:00pm

Introduction to Aceing Autism - Nils Weldy

5-18yo primarily but serves adults as well.

Looking to USTA RI as a resource to assist in growth in RI

9:09pm

High School preseason tournaments from NE- Kelly Day seeks $500 to help with costs-no motion to support was made.

Frank to investigate validity as to whether or not RIIL can assist

9:20pm

New business

John: Arlene Lebossionaires daughter has passed away.

John Motioned to send flowers/ paul second.. up to $75 value, Doug to handle

9:15

Grant monies awarded to The Providence Tennis Academy in Oct of 2022 to be assessed by grant committee to assure proper use of the award.

9:27pm

Motion to adjourn made by Paul.. 2nd by Frank