

NOTE: *These minutes were approved by the committee on November 28, 2023 and are the final version. The Committee Recommendations included in these minutes under Issue #4 have not been submitted to the USTA NorCal Board due to a last-minute hold from USTA National. The USTA NorCal Board reviewed and voted on the other Committee Recommendations included in these minutes at its meeting on September 20 and October 18, 2023.*

Luis Reis, chair of the Adult Tournament Committee, called the meeting to order at 8:05pm and roll call was conducted. The meeting was held by Google Meet video conference.

Committee Members Present: *Luis Reis (Chair), Mark Fairchilds (Vice Chair) – joined at 8:20, Leslie Airola-Murveit, Darrin Cohen, Steven Cornell, Andie Mouzes, Wendell Pierce, Marina Wills*

USTA NorCal Staff Present: *Michelle Wilson, Joanna Broda-Schunck*

Guests Present: n/a

1. Approval of Minutes. The Committee considered approval of the minutes of the meeting held July 5, 2023. The following motion was duly made by Leslie Airola-Murveit seconded by Wendell Pierce and **approved** by a vote of 7 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Adult Tournament Committee meeting held July 5, 2023 be approved as presented.

2. Staff Report

- Item 1: Joanna Broda-Schunck reported about the WTN pilot tournament held July 29-30, 2023. 52 people participated in the event and the feedback was mostly positive. The only negative feedback related to the groupings based on WTN, which in a few cases did not match the level. To be noted here is that there was a unique update in player's WTNs during the time between player selection and match start.
- Item 2: Joanna Broda-Schunck reported on the progress in the North-South tournament. The website is up and players are registering. Player registration will close September 10 and at that time teams will be selected.
- Item 3: Joanna Broda-Schunck informed the committee that all Women's Intersectionals Team have registered for the Championship.

3. Issue #1 – USTA NorCal Qualifier – In order to qualify players in the divisions 18+ 2.5, 40+ 3.0-4.5 and 55+ 3.0-4.5 (singles and doubles), USTA NorCal needs to have a NorCal Qualifying event. Due to time constraints, USTA has requested Blackhawk Country Club to run this event. The tournament will be closed to only NorCal residents and Self-rated players will not be allowed as they are not eligible to participate in the NTRP National Championships.

At 8:20 Mark Fairchilds joined the meeting during the discussion on the NorCal Qualifier.

Following discussion, the following motion was duly made by Marina Wills, seconded by Steven Cornell, and **approved** by a vote of 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 recusals:

RESOLVED: The Adult Tournament Committee recommends to the Sanctions and Schedules Committee that the NorCal Qualifying tournament in the divisions 18+ 2.5, 40+ 3.0-4.5 and 55+ 3.0-4.5 (singles and doubles) be sanctioned to Blackhawk Country Club to be held on February 2-

4, 2024 (with February 9-11 being rain out dates). USTA NorCal will help by providing umpires, player gifts and awards for the event.

4. Issue #2 – NTRP Level 2, 3, 4, criteria – USTA National has recently informed the sections that in the NTRP tournaments, sections will be allowed to sanction a specific number of level 2, 3, 4, and 5 tournaments. For USTA NorCal the allotment is as follows:

Level 2 – 1 (has to be Open to all players)

Level 3 – 2 (one in each division can be closed)

Level 4 – 6 (all have to be Open)

Level 5 – unlimited (USTA National recommends to elevate all level 6 tournaments to level 5 and not have any level 6)

Level 7 tournaments are not changed as they are 1-day tournament

Following discussion, the following motion was duly made by Wendell Pierce, seconded by Marina Wills, and **approved** by a vote of 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 recusals:

RESOLVED: That effective January 1, 2024, USTA NorCal Adult Tournament Rules 32 and 33 Regulation be amended to read as follows (underlined language is proposed to be added; stricken through language is proposed to be deleted).

32. NTRP Gold Cup Series Tournament Designations. Each year, ~~up to 6 NTRP tournaments, in different regions,~~ one (1) tournament per division would be designated as a Level-4 2 Open (open to other Sections): NTRP Gold Cup Series-Tournament. Tournaments that meet the following minimum criteria shall be considered first for Gold Cup Series designation:

* The tournament needs to be multiple days

* The tournament must offer a minimum draw of 32 for singles, 16 for gender doubles and mixed

* The tournament must offer divisions 2.5-5.0 for 18+ (singles, doubles and mixed)

* The tournament must offer divisions 3.0-4.5 for 40+ and 55+ (singles and doubles)

* The tournament must offer a 3rd place playoff

* Player selection must be done by rankings

* The tournament needs to have received an evaluation score higher than 90% (4.5). (The number of participants in the previous year will be considered)

* A minimum of 25% of the total participants must have completed a player evaluation;

* The tournament has complied with all applicable USTA NorCal sanction and tournament rules.

Player results in all divisions shall receive Level-4 2 ranking points in accordance with the USTA Adult and Family Tournament, Ranking & Sanctioning Regulations. All champions of NTRP Gold Cup Series Tournaments shall receive a special piece of USTA NorCal logo wear or other item commemorating their win.

Note: The following year, tournaments in a different geographical location will be considered first

33. NTRP Silver Cup Tournament Designation. Each year the Grand Prix for the 18+ division and the NorCal Qualifier for the 40+ and 55+ divisions will be awarded a Level 3 (Closed) designation

In addition, one (1) NTRP tournament would be designated as a Level 3 Open: NTRP Silver Cup Tournament. Tournaments that meet the following minimum criteria shall be considered first for Silver Cup designation:

* The tournament needs to be multiple days

* The tournament must offer a draw of 32 for singles, 16 for gender doubles and mixed

* The tournament must offer divisions 2.5-5.0 for 18+ (singles, doubles and mixed)

* The tournament must offer divisions 3.0-4.5 for 40+ and 55+ (singles and doubles)

* The tournament must offer a 3rd place playoff

* Player selection must be done by rankings

* The tournament needs to have received an evaluation score higher than 90% (4.5)

* The number of participants will be considered

* A minimum of 25% of the total participants must have completed a player evaluation;

* The tournament has complied with all applicable USTA NorCal sanction and tournament rules. Player results in all divisions shall receive Level 3 ranking points in accordance with the USTA Adult and Family Tournament, Ranking & Sanctioning Regulations. All champions of NTRP Silver Cup Series Tournaments shall receive a special piece of USTA NorCal logo wear or other item commemorating their win.
Note: Tournaments in a different geographical location than the level 2 tournament will be considered first

3334. NTRP ~~Tournament of the Year~~ Bronze Cup Tournaments Designations. Each year, up to 6 NTRP tournaments, in different regions, would be designated as a Level 5 4 Open: ~~Tournament of the Year~~ Bronze Cup Tournament. NTRP Bronze Cup Tournaments are those tournaments that, after NTRP Gold and Silver Cup Series Tournaments have been designated, receive the highest average rating by participants. Tournaments that meet the following minimum criteria shall be considered first for events to be designated as TOY:

- * The tournament needs to be a multiple day event
- * The tournament must offer a draw a minimum of 16 for singles, 8 for gender doubles and mixed
- * The tournament must offer divisions 2.5-5.0 for 18+ (singles, doubles and mixed)
- * The tournament must offer divisions 3.0-4.5 for 40+ and 55+ (singles and doubles)
- * The tournament shall have received an average rating by all participants on the player evaluation of at least 4.0 (80%)
- * A minimum of 25% of the total participants must have completed a player evaluation;
- * The tournament has complied with all applicable USTA NorCal sanction and tournament rules. Player results in all divisions shall receive Level 5 4 ranking points in accordance with the USTA Adult and Family Tournament, Ranking & Sanctioning Regulations.

Rationale: National recently changed the Adult Tournament structure allowing sections to sanction Level 2, 3, and 4 tournaments. Level 2, 3, and 4 tournaments should offer all the divisions that are earning ranking points and that may qualify for the NTRP National Championship. In addition, level 2 and 3, since there are only one of each in the Section, should offer a larger draw in order to be able to accept as many players as possible. The second level 3 (Closed) tournament will be the Grand Prix and the NorCal Qualifier as these are the season finales for those divisions. Level 2 and Level 3 tournaments shall offer a 3rd place playoff to give the 3rd place players more ranking points. As the highest level of tournaments in the Section, player selection should be done only by the most current National Standings List. These tournaments should be selected among the best tournaments from previous year and preferably be held in different geographical locations in order to be attractive to a large number of players.

5. Issue #3 – Age Group Tournament level 4 & 5 criteria – The Committee looked into the possibility of updating the regulations about criteria for a level 4 and level 5 Age Group tournament. After a brief discussion the issue was tabled until the next meeting. Staff will look in more details in to what the current criteria are and what players would like to see.

6. Issue #4 – Grand Prix Players lunch - Staff has informed the Committee that in order to make the Grand Prix a more special event, USTA NorCal will offer a lunch for the players on Saturday. Staff has negotiated a price of \$6 per player (if 150 players or more). USTA NorCal will use the money already allotted to the Grand Prix to pay for the lunch.

7. Issue #5 – Adult Tournament Stipends – New criteria and amounts were proposed for the Adult Tournament stipends. There would be different stipends for Open, Age Group and NTRP tournaments. The goal of the stipends is to increase the number of tournaments offered, assure a better player experience and help tournament directors find sponsors for their events.

A. Adult Open Tournament Stipend Program - \$34,000

Following discussion, the following motion to approve the Adult Open tournament stipends was duly made by Leslie Airola-Murveit, seconded by Marina Wills, and **approved** by a vote of 7 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention, and 0 recusals:

RESOLVED: Provided that funds are allocated in the 2024 budget, effective January 1, 2024, an aggregate of up to \$10,000 in Gold Adult Open Tournament Stipends will be available for tournament directors of sanctioned Adult Open Tournaments offering prize money of \$5,000 or more to apply for under the Adult Open Tournament Stipend Program as set forth below. Applicants selected for stipends will receive the stipend following completion of the tournament and fulfillment of requirements of the stipend program.

Gold Adult Open Tournament Prize Money Stipends

- Tournament must offer prize money of \$5,000 or more.
- The Gold Adult Open Tournament Stipend will be valued between \$2,500 and \$5,000 and will be used to match prize money raised by the Tournament Committee.
- If any of the required events are canceled with the approval of USTA NorCal due to lack of participation, USTA NorCal has the right to reduce the amount of the stipend, based on the prize money breakdown.

Tournament Requirements:

- The tournament must have a minimum of 10 courts used for tournament matches, which may be at more than one facility.
- Minimum Draw Sizes: 64 - Men's and Women's singles; 32 - Men's and Women's Doubles; 32 - Mixed Doubles.
- The Tournament must waive the entry fees for the highest-ranked junior boy player and junior girl player, based on the most recently published National Standings List of the 18 Division as of the date entries close.
- Singles Match Format: Up until the Quarterfinals, all matches must be at least the best of three tiebreak sets with a 10-Point Match Tiebreak played in lieu of the 3rd set. For the Quarterfinals on, the format must be the best of three tiebreak sets. Regular scoring will be used in all matches.
- Doubles Match Format: All matches must be at least the best of three tiebreak sets with a 10-Point Match Tiebreak played in lieu of the 3rd set.

Member Organization/Tournament Director Requirements:

- The Tournament Director must have previously run at least one USTA NorCal Adult Open Tournament in the previous year for which a minimum of 20% of the participants completed a participation survey and for which such tournament received a survey score of 85% or higher in customer/player satisfaction (unless waived by the Adult Tournament Specialist).
- The Tournament Director must have run a minimum of three total tournaments, including one Adult Open Tournament.
- The Tournament Director must attend a Tournament Director Workshop.
- The Tournament Director must comply with all requirements set forth in the Sanctioning Regulations and Sanction Agreement including but not limited to, submission of Serve Tennis Sanction Form, insurance certificate, satellite permission form(s), written confirmation from Referee, no later than the 1st day of the month two months prior to the start date of the Tournament, and posting of all required information on the website by the time entries open.

Required Prize Money Breakdown: (minimum \$5,000 Purse, anything above can be distributed by TD as long as it's equal prize money for men and women).

- Singles Winner \$1,050 (MS & WS)
- Singles Finalist \$550 (MS & WS)
- Doubles Winner per Player \$200 (MD & WD)
- Doubles Finalist per Player \$100 (MD & WD)
- Mixed Winner per Player \$200
- Mixed Finalist per Player \$100

RESOLVED FURTHER: Provided that funds are allocated in the 2024 budget, effective January 1, 2024, an aggregate of up to \$6,000 in Silver Adult Open Tournament Stipends will be available for tournament directors of sanctioned Adult Open Tournaments offering prize money of \$2,000 or more to apply for under the Adult Open Tournament Stipend Program as set forth below. Applicants selected for stipends will receive the stipend following completion of the tournament and fulfillment of requirements of the stipend program.

Silver Adult Open Tournament Prize Money Stipends

- Tournament must offer prize money of \$2,000 or more.
- The Silver Adult Open Tournament Stipend will be valued between \$1,000 and \$2,000 and will be used to match prize money raised by the Tournament Committee.
- If any of the required events are canceled with the approval of USTA NorCal due to lack of participation, USTA NorCal has the right to reduce the amount of the stipend, based on the prize money breakdown.

Tournament Requirements:

- The tournament must have a minimum of 8 courts used for tournament matches, which may be at more than one facility.
- Minimum Draw Sizes: 64 - Men's and Women's singles; 32 - Men's and Women's Doubles; 32 - Mixed Doubles.
- The Tournament must waive the entry fees for the highest-ranked junior boy player and junior girl player, based on the most recently published National Standings List of the 18 Division as of the date entries close.
- Singles Match Format: Up until the Quarterfinals, all matches must be at least the best of three tiebreak sets with a 10-Point Match Tiebreak played in lieu of the 3rd set. For the Quarterfinals on, the format must be the best of three tiebreak sets. Regular scoring will be used in all matches.
- Doubles Match Format: All matches must be at least the best of three tiebreak sets with a 10-Point Match Tiebreak played in lieu of the 3rd set.

Member Organization/Tournament Director Requirements:

- The Tournament Director must have previously run at least one USTA NorCal Adult Open Tournament in the previous year for which a minimum of 20% of the participants completed a participation survey and for which such tournament received a survey score of 85% or higher in customer/player satisfaction (unless waived by the Adult Tournament Specialist).
- The Tournament Director must have run a minimum of two tournaments, including one Adult Tournament.
- The Tournament Director must attend a Tournament Director Workshop that will include information on best practices and sponsorship.
- The Tournament Director must comply with all requirements set forth in the Sanctioning Regulations and Sanction Agreement including but not limited to, submission of Serve Tennis Sanction Form, insurance certificate, satellite permission form(s), written confirmation from Referee, no later than the 1st day of the month two months prior to the start date of the Tournament, and posting of all required information on the website by the time entries open.

Required Prize Money Breakdown: (minimum \$2,000 Purse, anything above can be distributed by TD as long as it's equal prize money for men and women).

- Singles Winner \$300 (MS & WS)
- Singles Finalist \$200 (MS & WS)
- Doubles Winner per Player \$100 (MD & WD)
- Doubles Finalist per Player \$75 (MD & WD)
- Mixed Winner per Player \$100
- Mixed Finalist per Player \$50

RESOLVED FURTHER: Provided that funds are allocated in the 2024 and 2025 budgets, effective January 1, 2024, an aggregate of up to \$18,000 in New and Returning Adult Open Tournament Stipends (\$28,000 and \$6,000, respectively in 2024 and 2025) will be available for tournament

directors of sanctioned Adult Open Tournaments offering prize money of \$3,000 or more to apply for under the Adult Open Tournament Stipend Program as set forth below. Applicants selected for stipends will receive the stipend following completion of the tournament and fulfillment of requirements of the stipend program.

New and Returning Adult Open Tournament Prize Money Stipends

This is a 2-year stipend program will award up to four stipends based on the following schedule:

Year One (\$12,000 Awarded): Organization Member receives a \$3,000 stipend for prize money.

Year Two (Up to \$6,000 Awarded): Organization Member receives a matching stipend up to a \$1,500 prize money stipend, based on the amount of sponsorship funds raised.

Member Organization/Tournament Director Requirements:

- 2024 Tournament must be applied for by January 15, 2024 and approved by the USTA NorCal Board.
- 2025 Tournament must be applied for during the 2024 Primary Sanction Period and approved by the USTA NorCal Board.
- Stipend must be applied for by January 15, 2024 and approved by the Adult Tournament Committee.
- The Tournament Director must attend a Tournament Director Workshop that will include information on best practices and sponsorship.
- Tournament Director must have prior experience in running tournaments.
- The Tournament Director must comply with all requirements set forth in the Sanctioning Regulations and Sanction Agreement including but not limited to, submission of Serve Tennis Sanction Form, insurance certificate, satellite permission form(s), written confirmation from Referee, no later than the 1st day of the month two months prior to the start date of the Tournament, and posting of all required information on the website by the time entries open.

Prize Money Breakdown: (based on \$3,000 Purse, anything above can be distributed by Tournament Director provided equal prize money for men and women is awarded).

- Singles Winner \$800 (MS & WS)
- Singles finalist \$400 (MS & WS)
- Doubles Winner per Player \$200 (MD & WD)
- Doubles Finalist per Player \$100 (MD & WD)
- Mixed Winner \$200
- Mixed Finalist \$100

Rationale: These stipends are aimed at increasing the number of Open tournaments being offered and the number of Open tournament players. The goal is to help the tournament directors with prize money while at the same time teaching them to become self-sustaining by seeking out sponsors.

These prize money stipend programs replace the Gold, Silver and Bronze Adult Open Tournament Stipend Program under which stipends were awarded in 2023. The \$34,000 proposed to be budgeted for the new Program in 2024 is \$1,500 greater than was budgeted for Adult Open Tournament Stipends in 2023.

Financial Impact: 2024 - \$28,000; 2025 - \$6,000

B Adult Age Group Division Tournament Stipend Program - \$3,000

Following discussion, the following motion to approve the Adult Age Group tournament stipends was duly made by Wendell Pierce, seconded by Leslie Airola-Murveit, and **approved** by a vote of 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 recusals:

RESOLVED: Provided that funds are allocated in the 2024 budget, effective January 1, 2024, an aggregate of \$3,000 in Adult Age Group Tournament stipends will be available for Tournament Directors to apply for under the Adult Age Group Division Tournament Stipend Program as follows:

Age Group Tournaments Stipends: Up to six \$500 will be awarded to off-set tournament costs and/or improve player experience (i.e. balls, awards, player gifts etc.), subject to the following:

- The Tournament Director must not have hosted an Adult Age Group Division Tournament since pre-pandemic (March 2020 through 2023);
 - The Tournament Director must attend a Tournament Director Workshop that will include information on best practices and sponsorship; and
 - The Tournament Director must comply with all requirements set forth in the Sanctioning Regulations and Sanction Agreement including but not limited to, submission of Serve Tennis Sanction Form, insurance certificate, satellite permission form(s), written confirmation from Referee, no later than the 1st day of the month two months prior to the start date of the Tournament, and posting of all required information on the website by the time entries open.
- Applicants selected for stipends will receive the stipend following completion of the tournament and fulfillment of these obligations.

Rationale: These stipends are aimed at increasing the number of Adult Age Group tournaments being offered and give players more opportunities to play. The goal is to help the Tournament Directors while at the same time teaching them to provide a more enhanced tournament experience and become more self-sustaining by seeking out sponsors. This proposal represents a shift from requiring the stipends to go towards prize money to being spent on improving the player experience and offsetting other costs.

This stipend program replaces the Gold and Silver Adult Age Group Tournament Prize Money Stipend Program under which stipends were awarded in 2023. The \$3,000 proposed to be spent in 2024 is \$8,250 less than was budgeted for the 2023 Adult Age Group Tournament Stipends.

Financial Impact: \$3,000

C. Adult NTRP Tournament Stipends - \$7,000

Following discussion, the following motion was duly made by Marina Wills, seconded by Leslie Airola-Murveit, and **approved** by a vote of 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 recusals:

RESOLVED: Provided that funds are allocated in the 2024 budget, effective January 1, 2024, an aggregate of up to \$4,000 in Adult NTRP 40+ and NTRP 55+ Tournament stipends will be available for tournament directors to apply for under the Adult NTRP Tournament Stipend Program as follows:

Age NTRP 40+ and NTRP 55+ Stipends: Up to four \$500 stipends for NTRP 40+ and up to four \$500 stipends for NTRP 55+ will be awarded, subject to the following:

- Stipends are limited to one per Organization Member, unless otherwise approved by the Adult Tournament Committee;
 - The sanction may include only the NTRP 40+ or NTRP 55+ divisions;
 - The tournament must offer singles and doubles in the 3.0, 3.5, 4.0 and 4.5 divisions;
 - The stipend must be used to offset tournament cost and for player experience;
 - The Tournament Director must attend a Tournament Director Workshop that will include information on best practices and sponsorship; and
 - The Tournament Director must comply with all requirements set forth in the Sanctioning Regulations and Sanction Agreement including but not limited to, submission of Serve Tennis Sanction Form, insurance certificate, satellite permission form(s), written confirmation from Referee, no later than the 1st day of the month two months prior to the start date of the Tournament, and posting of all required information on the website by the time entries open.
- Applicants selected for stipends will receive the stipend following completion of the tournament and fulfillment of these obligations.

RESOLVED FURTHER: Provided that funds are allocated in the 2024 budget, effective January 1, 2024, an aggregate of up to \$3,000 in Adult NTRP Level 7 Tournament stipends will be available for tournament directors to apply for as follows:

Stipends to Promote Adult NTRP Level 7 (1-Day) Tournaments: Up to \$3,000 in Adult Level 7 Tournament stipends awarded will be based on the number of players in the tournament, at \$10 per player, subject to the following:

- The Organization Member must commit running no fewer than two Level 7 (1-day) Tournaments in 2024;
- The stipend must be used to improve the player experience, for example by offering snacks, drinks, optionally raffle items;
- The Tournament Director must attend a Tournament Director Workshop that will include information on best practices and sponsorship;
- The Tournament Director must comply with all requirements set forth in the Sanctioning Regulations and Sanction Agreement including but not limited to, submission of Serve Tennis Sanction Form, insurance certificate, satellite permission form(s), written confirmation from Referee, no later than the 1st day of the month two months prior to the start date of the Tournament, and posting of all required information on the website by the time entries open; and
- The \$10 per player stipend will be paid to the Organization Member upon completion of the second tournament and after documentation of the expenses paid to improve the player experience has been received by USTA NorCal.

Applicants selected for stipends will receive the stipend following completion of the second tournament and fulfillment of these obligations.

Rationale: These stipends are aimed at increasing the number of NTRP 40+ and 55+ tournaments being offered and give players more opportunities to play. The new Level 7 promotion aims at providing options for players to play in a tournament without committing the entire weekend. These 1-day tournaments should also be an opportunity for players to socialize while being competitive at the same time. By asking tournament directors to participate in Tournament Director workshops, USTA NorCal wants to help the tournament directors while at the same time teaching them to provide a more enhanced tournament experience and become more self-sustaining by seeking out sponsors.

This stipend program replaces the Adult NTRP Tournament Stipend Program under which stipends were awarded in 2023. The \$7,000 proposed to be budgeted under the new Program for 2024 is \$4,000 greater than was budgeted in Adult NTRP Tournament Stipends 2023.

Financial Impact: \$7,000

8. Issue #6 – WTN tournament promotion - WTN tournaments are non-sanctioned events and thus do not require paid membership from players. In addition, as players are grouped by level, the age and gender division is eliminated. This gives an opportunity for areas with less players to host USTA events and introduce players to competition, while still in a social setting.

Following discussion, the following motion was duly made by Steve Cornell, seconded by Wendell Pierce, and **approved** by a vote of 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 recusals:

RESOLVED: Provided that funds are allocated in the 2024 budget, the following shall be spent towards financially supporting up to four non-sanctioned WTN Tournaments organized by Organization Members and held in different geographic regions of USTA NorCal, which tournaments shall be selected by the USTA NorCal Staff.

Budget Item	Cost Per Tournament	Total Cost

Player Gifts	\$600	\$2,400
Awards	\$200	\$800
TOTAL	\$800	\$3,200

RESOLVED FURTHER: That it is recommended for the WTN Tournaments to be held in Men's 40 and under and Women's 40 and under divisions, with 32 players per division flighted into Round Robin groups of 4 players and the winners of each Round Robin receiving an award. Regardless of the draw format used, players will be flighted into the separate draws.

RESOLVED FURTHER: USTA NorCal staff will be made available to assist in the flighting of players into round robins.

Rationale: Having more WTN Tournaments would increase players knowledge about the World Tennis Number. In addition, since these events are not sanctioned, it allows for more social, although still competitive, participation. Having a more social option for tournaments will grow the number of players, who may later move on to play in sanctioned events. As of the meeting to discuss the 2024 budget, funds have been allocated for this purpose.

Financial Impact: \$3,200

9. Additional Business. Michelle Wilson informed the Committee that USTA NorCal is planning to run a Family R.O.G. event in December. The event would be open to members and non-members. The goal is to offer a social family event

There being no further issues or discussion to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 10:08 pm.