

Don Bearden, chair of the Wheelchair Committee, called the meeting to order at 7:07pm and roll call was conducted. The meeting was held via Google Meet video conference.

**Committee Members Present:** Don Bearden, Marsten Anderson, Kylie Hornbeck, RL Scott, Philip Peabody

**USTA NorCal Staff Present:** Christy Perez - staff liaison

**Guests Present:** N/A

**1. Approval of Minutes.** The Committee considered approval of the minutes of the meeting held *February 9, 2023*. The following motion was duly made by Kylie Hornbeck, seconded by Marsten Anderson, and **approved** by a vote of 4 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions

## **2. Chair Report**

- Item 1: Update on the San Jose Smash tennis group. The group will begin practice this weekend.
- Item 2: Update on the Sacramento TIES wheelchair group. The group began practice on Thursday March 16th. There is a new member of the tennis group, Dez Del Barba. Future practices will be held at the Antelope tennis courts on Tuesdays 9:30-11:30am and Fridays from 4-7pm.
- Item 3: Congratulations were extended to Marty Anderson for placing 2nd at the Arizona Open Wheelchair Tennis Tournament in both Open singles and Open/A doubles divisions.

## **3. Staff Report**

- NorCal Wheelchair grant application is now closed
- National Grassroot Grant is now closed
- Adaptive and Wheelchair Play Day with Valley Children's Hospital will take place on Sunday Apr 23, 2023 from 10-12noon, and Friday May 12, 2023 from 5-7pm at Fresno State University tennis courts.
- NorCal Wheelchair Tournaments for 2023 -
- Whitney Wheelchair Tournament June 10-11th
- Silicon Valley Wheelchair Tournament August 5-6th at Mission College
- Wheelchair demonstration at Mubadala TBD
- Level 3 Wheelchair tournament September 16-17th at Gold River Racquet Club
- Wheelchair exhibition Sep 24, 2023 at Berkeley Tennis Club
- North/South Wheelchair Challenge October 21-22 at Copper River Country Club
- Up/Down tournament Sep 10, 2023 in San Jose at Independence High School

  

- **Don Bearden left the meeting while grant voting was taking place regarding his grant applications requests**

## **4. Issue #1 - Wheelchair grant funds allocation**

Following discussion, the following motion was duly made by Kylie Hornbeck, seconded by Marsten Anderson, and **approved/ defeated** by a vote of 4 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 1 recusals: **Don Bearden**

- Concluding the discussion of the 3 grant applications received (Silicon Valley Wheelchair Tennis Tournament, South Bay Smash, and TIES), the decision was made unanimously by the wheelchair committee to award \$4000 to the Silicon Valley Wheelchair Tennis Tournament, \$3000 to the South Bay Smash Wheelchair organization, and \$3000 to the TIES Wheelchair Organization.
- **Don Bearden rejoined the call and results of the grant awards were announced.**

There being no further issues or discussion to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:17pm