



Rules/Officials Committee Meeting
December 15, 2010
7:00 pm Wednesday at the Venue
Agenda

Members

Chair Roman Tinyszyn called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The following members were present: Roman Tinyszyn, Chair, Wendell Dillon, Azmy Ibrahim, Pam Fontaine, Joseph Yick and Teodor Gheorghe – Staff Liaison. Also in attendance were Larry Kesler and Stephen Banko.

I Reports

1. Exams – Umpire and Referee Total
 - a. CU - 46; RU - 2, NU – 1 (sitting at Nationals), IU - 5.
 - b. Total active: CU 310, RU 27, NU 8, IU 43, total 388 umpires; CR 69 (2 sitting for CR at Nationals), NR 9 (3 CRs sitting for NR at Nationals), IR 7, total 85 referees.
2. Wendell Dillon has updated the USATT Rules Pamphlet and all umpire exams based on the 2010 rules changes. All umpires, including IU's, who have not taken an umpire or referee exam in 2010 will need to pass an umpire recertification exam to remain active. Must recertify by May 1, 2011.

III New Business

3. Budget for 2011. I have submitted a proposal for \$11,000. I will again try to get the Board to cover Azmy's travel to the WTTC from another line item. If not, we will have to cover it. I propose to cover the same number of tournaments next year with reduced reimbursement if our budget is lower. Our budget has been approved for \$9,500.
4. Unsportsmanlike behavior during matches. (Excessive yelling between points, choing, etc). What can be done to stop?
5. Racket Control – Enez vs RAE.
6. Players would like to wear "sport pants" to compete in a tournament. Thoughts on the matter. Sport pants are a tighter fitting pant than sweats.

IV Recommendation:

7. For item 4, under New Business - guidance to coaches, Referees Tournament Directors and parents. Sending out a Referee Memo. Place a statement on the entry form that enforcement of unsportsmanlike behavior will not be tolerated.

8. For item 5, under New Business – we will continue using Enez.
9. For item 6, under New Business – I will research and send pictures to ITTF to get a ruling.
10. After an IU/NU completes foreign travel they are to notify Tom Miller of their cost of the trip.
11. Teodor Gheorghe the Pan Am trials will be February 2011. Due to budgetary concerns he recommends using local officials.
12. Meeting adjourned 7:48 pm.

Roman Tinyszyn, IU
Chair