



**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
TEXAS RACQUETBALL ASSOCIATION**

Date: Saturday April 24, 2010
Time: 2:00 PM
Location: YMCA Houston

Pursuant to notice duly given, this annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Texas Racquetball Association was held on Saturday April 24, 2010 from 2:15 PM until 5:05 PM.

The TXRA board officially came to order at 2:15 PM.

Prior to the official board meeting the membership came together in an open forum. Approximately 25 members were present.

Leo Vasquez opened the meeting by reviewing the agenda.

The election process for 2010 was reviewed which was managed by R2Sports online. This year the online election grew membership participation 100%. TXRA board had 10 nominations to fill 5 positions.

Tom Doughty from Austin was installed with a 1 year term.

Lance Gilliam from San Antonio was installed with a 3 year term.

Joanna Reyes from Corpus Christi was installed with a 3 year term. We also noted to the group that Joanna was just elected to the USA Racquetball board.

Bob Sullins from Dallas was installed for a 3 year term.

Kim Russell-Waselenchuk from Austin was installed for a 3 year term.

Leo acknowledged the outgoing member Mike Fitzsimmons.

The group acknowledged the awards committee headed by Gennie Salinas.

Leo discussed the new website TXRA.net and how the content management system is the same as USAR.

Leo noted the statistics for Texas as the largest state for USAR in all categories

- 1200 members
- 40 events annually

Randy Landford discussed the junior program and funds sent to programs – Junior Nationals, Elite camps, Entry fees.

The room acknowledged the juniors in the room.

The board asked for donations to the Junior programs and noted Mike Caplins contributions.

An overview of the upcoming Junior Nationals was presented.

We noted 20 Texas juniors were scheduled to go to junior nationals.

The option of reduced tournament entries and free entries was raised.

An award was presented to Soly Kor for his work with juniors at the Longhorn Tournament.

Bob Sullins presented the P&L statement for the organization.

approximately \$12,000 income annually.

approximately \$8,000 spent on the junior programs annually.

The Tom Thumb Good Neighbor program was presented to the group to raise awareness of the opportunity to support TXRA.

Jo Anna Reyes began the awards ceremony

Junior Athlete was awarded to Sam Nemey

Male Athlete was awarded to Patric Mascorro

Female Athlete was awarded to Keely Franks

Sportsmanship was awarded to Glenn Martineau

Racquetball Supporter was awarded to Jo Anna Reyes

The meeting was opened to questions from the group at 3:00PM.

A request to video tape key events and replay them on the web site was made.

A request to distribute Facebook groups to communicate easily within the regions was made.

A request to grow memberships through awareness was made.

A discussion on the Ektelon product and contract was discussed.

Acknowledgement of the need for the TXRA posters in the clubs.

Discussed sanctioning leagues to drive membership in TXRA.

Reviewed the value of membership in TXRA.

Discussion of underwriting insurance for every event.

The topic of all major events moving to Minneapolis, and the Life Time facilities have 12, 14 and 6 courts.

A request to post shirts, hats and items to purchase with TXRA was raised. Leo stated we are looking at a company to integrate the sales of these items right now.

The public forum portion of the meeting was Closed at 3:20PM

The Annual TXRA Board meeting came to order at 3:30PM

Roll call confirmed the presence of seven board members constituting a quorum;

Leo Vasquez

Jo Anna Reyes

Bob Sullins

Darjon Bittner

Sal Acosta

Randy Lanford

Tom Doughty

Not in attendance were Lance Gilliam, Dave Ragsdale, Jack Huczek, Howard Walker and Kim Russell-Waselenchuk.

The following agenda was distributed to the group

- Call to Order
- Roll Call for Determining Quorum
- Election of New Officers
- Treasurer's Report
- Committee Reports
 - Awards Report
 - Junior Programs Update
- Old Business
 - Dates and Locations for Work Session
 - Ball Contract for 2010-2011 Season
 - Good Neighbor Program
- Other Business
- Adjournment

Jo Anna began with the election results for 2010

10 nominations spread across Texas

136 online votes - 112 male and 24 female

Open discussion on how to get additional participation from members on the election

Recommendations include Survey Monkey and Tom D. stated he would do some research on alternative offerings.

Open discussion for election of officers

Randy L. made a motion to elect officers at the meeting and allow board members to vote via email

Tom D. seconded the motion

Bob S. opposed the motion

Group discussed the different office positions and responsibilities

The motion was opposed 4 votes to 3

The nomination for President

Darjon nominated Tom D. for president with no second to the nomination

Leo V. was nominated by Jo Anne with a second from Bob S.

Leo V. is elected as President by acclamation

The nomination for Vice President

Jo Anna is nominated by Leo V., second by Bob S.

Tom D. is nominated by Randy L., second by Darjon B.

Leo made a statement on behalf of Jo Anna R.

Tom made a statement for himself

Tom is elected as Vice President 4 votes to 3

The nomination for Secretary

Darjon B. is nominated by Jo Anna R., second by Randy L.

Darjon B. is elected as Secretary by acclamation

The nomination for Treasurer

Bob S. is nominated by Randy L., second by Leo V.

Bob S. is elected as Treasurer by acclamation

The treasury report was given by Bob Sullins

please refer to the Balance Sheet dated April 23, 2010

The Awards Committee Report was given by Jo Anne Reyes

The committee is looking to solicit nominations throughout the year

Several of the awards might be renamed

Looking at awarding the Hall of Fame annually

Junior Program Update was briefly discussed referring back to the comments made in the group membership meeting

Leo ordered all the squash, tennis and racquetball equipment from Ektelon per the ball contract to be distributed to the junior players in an effort to raise money for Junior Nationals. The group had a long discussion on state juniors venue options. A request for Randy L. to get with Lance to confirm dates of the event.

Bob moved to amend the minutes from the previous annual meeting to state the .NET and .ORG domains for TXRA are owned by Bob S.
Bob S. moves to approve the minutes and Randy L. seconds.

The group had a brief discussion on the annual work session date and location. With no final resolution we decided to finalize before the end of May.

Leo V. stated the ball contract is working perfectly.
Equipment is ordered.
Brief discussion on the ball confusion at the Long Horn event.
Tom D. asked to be updated on the ball contract from Leo V.
Discussions confirmed we are fulfilling the obligations to Ektelon and they are fulfilling TXRA's.

Discussion on Good Neighbor Program and Tom Thumb money back to TXRA on purchases.

Leo brought up Café' Press and the opportunity to build TXRA branded attire. The company will sell on TXRA.org turn keying the transactions. A portion of each sale will come back to TXRA.

No other business to address

The meeting adjourned at 5:09PM

The actions and undertakings of the Directors and Officers of the Texas Racquetball Association were approved with respect to all actions subsequent to the last meeting of the members. Thereafter, these being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting was duly adjourned at 4:46 PM.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Darjon R. Bittner", written over a horizontal line.

Darjon R. Bittner, Secretary