

Minutes of the USTA NorCal Adult Tournament Committee Meeting, Wednesday, June 3, 2025

NOTE: All resolutions were approved by the USTA NorCal Board as of June 18, 2025. These minutes were approved by the committee on August 5, 2025.

Leslie Airola-Murveit, chair of the Adult Tournament Committee Committee, called the meeting to order at 8:08 PM and roll call was conducted. The meeting was held by Google Meet video conference.

Committee Members Present: Leslie Airola-Murveit (chair), Luis Reis (Vice Chair), Andie Mouzes, Wendell Pierce, Craig Pasqua, Mariko Fritz-Krockow, Darrin Cohen

USTA NorCal Staff Present: Joanna Broda-Schunck

Guests Present: n/a

1. Staff Report

- Item 1: Joanna Broda-Schunck reported to the Committee on the junior events that piloted Electronic Line Calling systems (Swing Visions and Play Replay) and added that Adult Tournaments is currently working on having Baseline Vision piloted at the Tri-level singles event

Mariko Fritz-Krockow joined the meeting during the staff's report

- Item 2: Joanna Broda-Schunck reminded the Committee there are two adult events coming up – the WTN parent-child green and yellow ball event, and the Tri-level singles event. Committee members were asked to volunteer at these events.

2. Approval of Minutes.

The Committee considered approval of the minutes of the meeting held April 23, 2025. The following motion was duly made by Luis Reis, seconded by Andie Mouzes and **approved** by a vote of 6 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Adult Tournament Committee meeting held April 23, 2025 be approved as presented

3. Issue #1 – Level Designation for Age Group Tournament at Laguna Creek

Laguna Creek Sports Club recently applied for sanctioning of a new Age Group Tournament, which would be added to the current NTRP Fall event that they traditionally run in October. They have requested it to be a higher level (5 or 4). The NTRP tournament has been designated a level 5 as it received very good player feedback: 4.60 with a 26% response rate. The reason why it was not designated a Level 4 was that the organization already received that designation for their tournament in spring.

Following discussion, the following motion was duly made by Wendell Pierce, seconded by Mariko Fritz-Krockow, and **approved** by a vote of 6 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions

RESOLVED: That the Age Group tournament hosted by Laguna Creek Sports Club in October 2025 be designated a level 5

Rationale: The organization has a history of good player feedback both for their Age Group as well as NTRP tournaments. The spring tournaments (NTRP and Age Group) were designated a level 4. Since the organization already had a level 4 Age Group tournament in 2025, the new tournament would be designated a level 5, even though it is not a team tournament. This is based on player feedback from the NTRP tournament in 2024. The Committee hopes that the level designation higher than level 6 will increase participation.

4. Issue #2 – Adult Tournament Awards Criteria

Staff informed the Committee that the Chairs of the Adult Tournament Committee and the Adult League Committee will be meeting with staff in the near future to discuss the venue and format of the event, including which recipients would be invited to participate without paying.

Staff brought up the new criteria for the certificates for “top NorCal Players” and informed the committee that it could be over 120 players.

It was decided to table this topic until the next meeting and the Committee members were invited to send their thoughts about it to staff.

4. Additional topics:

Craig Pasqua informed the committee that he was asked to host a non-sanctioned tournament in honor of the Native American community on Memorial Day weekend in 2027 in Reno, NV. USTA NorCal will be helping with a kids’ clinic on Saturday. Committee members are invited to volunteer.

Darrin Cohen joined the meeting during the discussion.

5. Future meetings. Next meeting is scheduled for June 17th at 10am with the main goal to select the overall captain of the Women’s Intersectionals Teams.

There being no further issues or discussion to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:37PM