Minutes of the
Annual Meeting for the
Northern Michigan Tennis Association
Sunday, November 14, 2010 1:00 p.m.
Stafford’s Bay View Inn
Petoskey, Michigan

The meeting was called to order by President Don Newport at 3:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: President, Don Newport, Past President, Ruth Smith, Treasurer Dick Ruemenapp, Secretary, Wendy Reeve, Paul Bandrowski, Rochelle Cotey (by phone), Claudia Van Landschoot (by phone), Nancy Rushlow, Vickie Lampel.

Staff Present: Executive Director, Margaret Ruemenapp, District League Coordinator, Vince Szymanski, Marketing/Membership Director, Adam Begley and ALC Jennifer Moore.

Guests Present: Sue Selke, Tennis Service Representative for Michigan, Ron Brooks, Past Midwest Tennis Association President and liaison to Northern Michigan, Steve Witte

A motion was made and seconded to approve the September 26, 2010 minutes. All were in favor.

Treasurer’s Report:
The Treasurer’s report has been filed as presented. Dick Ruemenapp reported that the League monies were less than expected but so also were the expenses.

Executive Director’s Report
The Year in Review was presented.
Our District Incentive Funding amounts to $3286 for 2010
Our District Membership is 1129 with 38 Organizational Memberships for 2010
Our adult leagues consisted of 376 unique players in 532 event participants. Our retention was 64.69%
We sanctioned 17 tournaments for 2010 gaining a Level 7 in December

Adult Leagues
Vince Szymanski reported that Adult Leagues will undergo an expansion for 2011. A pilot program, during the summer and in addition to the spring leagues, will be held for 4.0 Men as well as Mixed Doubles Leagues. The League Committee has been restructured with an Area League Coordinator and member at large for each area in our purview: Upper Peninsula, Alpena, Petoskey-Harbor Springs and Traverse City. Those 8 persons plus the League Committee chair, Vickie Lampel, meet monthly and are working on the 2011 League season.
Appreciation for years of service are recorded for Diane Whorton-Gillespie and Harold Calton who have resigned participation with the League Committee (Diane) and Board of Directors (Harold.)

League changes were presented for Board approval. Approval given.

**Grants/Advocacy**
Sutton’s Bay, Munising, Traverse City Central all in process.

**Juniors**
Paul Bandrowski presented his Junior Team Tennis Program
NMTA fielded all 4 District Cup Events.

**Diversity/Inclusion**
The Diversity and Inclusion Midwest Committee is in full swing. Dick Ruemenapp will meet with the Committee at the Midwest Annual Meeting.

**Marketing/Membership**
Adam Begley is continuing his liaison with Sutton’s Bay. The yearbook is on line and 10 copies have been printed for those who ordered them. Adam plans on a presence at as many events as he is able.

**Communications**
Ruth Smith will be publishing NMTA Board of Directors minutes on the website after they have been approved at the meeting. Committee Chairs are encouraged to publish their reports as well.

**Officials**
Ruth Smith for Bryn Lynch
Current qualifications to become a “sectional” umpire require 5 days per year. This is difficult for us to achieve as events are spread out and umpires play as well. Ruth suggests on behalf of Bryn that umpires become provisional at the rate of $8 per hour. After the first year they are recognized as “sectional” and are paid $10 per hour. Action approved

**Community Tennis Associations:**
No report

**Old Business**
1. Ron Brooks; spoke to the By Laws revision that we are undertaking in 2011. He presented materials and a Bylaws committee was established with Ruth Smith, Ed Lee, Dick and Margaret Ruemenapp and Don Newport participating.

2. All but two Board members have returned their Data Usage Agreement.
3. Jen Moore has been hired as Area League Coordinator for the Traverse City area. Don Newport spoke to the restructured League Committee: Those persons identified are:
   Traverse City: Jen Moore
   Alpena, Nadine Donajkowski
   Petoskey –Harbor Springs Steve Witte
   Upper Peninsula, Rochelle Cotey

4. A Code of Conduct has been adopted for adults and juniors in the District.
   Thanks to Steve Witte and Margaret Ruemenapp

5. All the Actions of the Committees are approved for 2010

New Business

Budget Requests need to be in by end of year and Budget will be presented in January.

The following persons will represent us at the Midwest Annual Meeting: Edward Lee, Ruth Smith, Bryn Lynch, Adam and Melissa Begley, Don Newport, Margaret Ruemenapp, Dick Ruemenapp and Paul Bandrowski who will also be part of the Junior Team Tennis Workshop.

Call Items: Call item 1 requested that the Secretary and Treasurer’s position be appointed on a yearly basis and that a stipend of $25 per bimonthly meeting be met for the Secretary and $25 per month for the Treasurer with $50 paid for the month requiring budget considerations.

Call Item 2 asked to create a permanent Oversight Committee to monitor bank accounts and monthly transactions. The Oversight committee consists of Paul Bandrowski and Ruth Smith. Board Members will receive quarterly reports. Both Call Items passed.

Election of officers: The slate was voted in as presented

Slate of Officers for Northern Michigan Tennis Association
2011

Nominating Committee presenting this slate:
Vickie Lampel, chair 2010
Rochelle Cotey 2010
Steve Witte 2010
Harold Calton 2010 (resigned 5-10)
The NMTA Board of Directors will vote on those candidates whose names are asterisked (*).

**Officers:**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Office</th>
<th>Began term of office</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Don Newport</td>
<td>President</td>
<td>2010</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>* Edward Lee</td>
<td>1st Vice President</td>
<td>2011</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Paul Bandrowski</td>
<td>2nd Vice President</td>
<td>2010</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Claudia VanLandschoot</td>
<td>3rd Vice President</td>
<td>2010</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wendy Reeve</td>
<td>Secretary</td>
<td>2010</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dick Ruemenapp</td>
<td>Treasurer</td>
<td>2007</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ruth Smith</td>
<td>Past President</td>
<td>2010</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Directors:**

- Vickie Lampel 
- Nancy Rushlow 
- *Jen Gerling (2011)
- *Steve Witte (2011)
- *Lee Payne (2011)
- *Ann Diamond (2011)
- Harold Calton resigned 5/2010

* Nominating Committee for 2011
  - Vickie Lampel
  - Rochelle Cotey
  - Steve Witte
  - Jen Gerling

The next board meeting will be held at 7 p.m. January 19, 2011 by conference call

Submitted,
Margaret Ruemenapp
NMTA Board Secretary Pro Tem