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LCTA-2020 (CTA) Annual Meeting and LCTA Captain's Meeting – Minutes		
January 7, 2020	6:00 p.m.	Daniel Island Club
Facilitator:	Steve Wilson	
Note Taker:	Jen McCool	
Board Members:	Ken Edwards, Nancy Pitcarin, Dee Mack, Bill Ennis, Charlotte Gerber, Meg Farrelly, Steve Speer, Jen McCool, Steve Wilson (outgoing), Rob Eppelsheimer (outgoing)	
	2019 Resignations: Steve Wilson, Pat Smith and Rob Eppelsheimer	
	Rob Eppelsheimer will now be the new district representative for the USTA SC Board	
	The Meeting was opened by Steve Wilson at 6:00 p.m.	
Reading of the 2019 Minutes	Steve Wilson reviewed the minutes of the 2019 Annual Meeting. A motion was made to approve the minutes as read. The motion was passed. The 2019 annual meeting minutes were approved as read.	
Treasurer's Report	<p>Steve went over the 2019 Financial Report. In 2019 there was a loss of \$9,934.76.</p> <p>Some of the LCTA expenses include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pays all registration fees for State, Sectional and National Championships. • Pays player stipends for Sectional and National Championships. • Gives player prizes to all local champions (hats/towels). • Gave a facility grant to Creekside in the amount of \$5,000. • Paid for the annual LCTA player party held at LTP Daniel Island. 	
Visitor Presentations	<p>VCO Presentation – Eleanor Adams, Tournament Manager</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is the 20th year for the Volvo Car Open (formerly Family Circle Cup) in Charleston. • She thanked the LCTA players for their support. • New enhancements will include more video boards with larger video boards on the 3rd tier, in the grand stand and in front of the stadium. • Tracy Austin, 1979 Family Circle Cup Champion, will be this year's Ambassador Hostess with a segment called Talking with Tracy. • VCO will be enhancing their app to allow users to see what is happening on the courts and participate in trivia. • There will be a new website as of the end of January, and new food and beverage. • VCO is committed to enhancing the fan experience. • There will be a concert on the Althea Gibson court with a female entertainer. • Currently they have 4 of the top 10 ranked players which include Ashleigh Barty, Simona Halep, Belinda Bencic and Kiki Bertens. Other players include Garbine Mugaruza, Sofia Kenin, Sloane Stephens and Kim Clijsters. • There will be special LCTA benefits at VCO. <p>LYTA Presentation – Bob Stevens, President</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thanked current board members, Sarah Pitts, Danny Bracciale, Dave Berns and Ron Charron. • Asked for more help, need help with JTT and tournaments. • With growth in the lowcountry, LYTA needs more funds and more volunteers. • Presented a raffle with VCO. 	

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	<p>SC Tennis Patrons Foundation – Bob Peiffer, Committee Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presented annual raffle for the US Open. Explained the SC Tennis Patrons Foundation is separate from USTA SC, their mission is to support tennis through providing scholarships and opportunities for youth.
<p>Presidents Report</p>	<p>The Board met in February, May, September and November. Minutes for the February and May meeting are posted at www.lctatennis.org.</p> <p>Steve reported that the LCTA is still the 7th largest local league in the nation and has the lowest registration fee anywhere.</p> <p>The LCTA is a 501(c)(4) not for profit CTA.</p> <p>2019 Initiatives and Project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> USTA tent support during VCO LCTA night @ VCO Hosted LCTA Party and Doubles Shootout Made Contributions to SCTPF in memory of our players that passed away Contributed \$5,000 for Court Improvements at Creekside Completed application for CPGP grant (Approved 1/1/2020) ex-officio status & participation on LYTA board LCTA representatives attended CTA Development workshop in Hilton Head and USTA-SC annual meeting. Developed and approved job description for possible administrative support person. Set up LCTA Constant Contact account and published newsletter (37-40% open rate) Maintained www.lctatennis.org to include policies and procedures. League Registration 14,024 (+552) Unique players 3,456 (+21) LCTA had 7th largest league registration nationally with and ALL VOLUNTEER organization
<p>Grievance Committee Report</p>	<p>Nancy Pitcarin announced for the 2nd year in a row there have been no grievances for bad behavior. There were some total team defaults but no sanctions.</p> <p>There were 3 complaints:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Matches not being made up within the 2 week rule; A captain stood on a fence and caused a disturbance; A complaint for bad behavior, player threat. <p>Nancy Pitcarin thanked all of the coordinators and stated the LCTA would prefer not to pay these positions, prefer those who volunteer for the love of the game.</p>
<p>Nominating Committee Report and Election of Board Members</p>	<p>Nancy Pitcarin read the board nominees, the nominating committee added Andrea Weinstein, Becky Williamson (both are coordinators and captains), Bob Peiffer made a motion to elect, the motion was seconded and there was a unanimous vote. The LCTA Board Members for 2018 are: Andrea Weinstein, Becky Williamson, Bill Ennis, Charlotte Gerber, Dee Mack, Jen McCool, Ken Edwards, Meg Farrelly, Nancy Pitcarin, Steve Speer, Tamara Hale.</p>

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Old/New Business	<p>Steve Wilson will be stepping down as President of the board and will now be an advisor to the board. He has really enjoyed his time acting as President and local league coordinator coordinating 3.0 women. There is a season for everything and a time to leave.</p> <p>There being no further CTA business, Steve Wilson made a motion that the Annual CTA Meeting be adjourned. The motion was approved, the meeting adjourned.</p>
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Captain's Meeting Agenda Items:	
LLC Welcome	<p>Dee Mack introduced herself and opened the Captain's Meeting. She talked to Susan Turner and she should have the 2020 regulations back soon and will post the new regulations to lctatennis.org.</p> <p>Dee Mack bid farewell to Jim Royce and thanked him for his service as the overall 55+, 65+, 70+ and 75+ coordinator. Dee announced that William Snead will be the new women's coordinator and Alice Kryder will be the new men's coordinator for these age groups.</p> <p>Dee announced the 2020 Spring scheduling has been completed and there are 151 18+ teams, 92 40+ teams, 60 55+ teams and 12 70+ teams. The LCTA has added 2.5 women and men for 40+/55+/65+/70+ age groups.</p>
2020 USTA National/Southern/State and Local Updates	<p>Dee announced new USTA league changes, which include players must be 18 years of age to play league tennis and the new 40+ format will be 1 singles and 3 doubles.</p> <p>Local league regulations have been changed to add bye weeks into the schedules as a possible makeup date due to inclement weather.</p>
Other Business	There being no further business the meeting was adjourned