

District Twenty-Two

Organization of Bridge Units, Inc.

Irvine Minutes - Final

District 22 Board of Directors Meeting

Date: 6:30 PM Friday September 11, 2009

Location: Hyatt Regency Hotel, 17900 Jamboree Road, Irvine, California

Presiding: 2009 D22 President Teri Atkinson

Representatives: Area I: Warren Cederborg & Teri Atkinson
 Area II: Noel Hanford & Francis Foresta
 Area III: Rex Latus & Jon Wright
 Area IV: Fran Schwartz & John Kissinger

National Representative: Ken Monzingo

Guests: Betty Bratcher & Bonnie Bagley

I. CALL TO ORDER

- Absent Board members were Rex Latus and Noel Hanford.
- Jon Wright made a motion seconded by Fran Schwartz to approval the board minutes from San Diego. The vote was unanimous – motion passed.

II. TREASURER'S Report Fran Foresta

- District Financial Report
Fran presented informal verbal status indicating that the District account contains \$86,000 and the NABC account has approximately \$54,000 remaining.
- San Diego Regional Financial Report
- Riverside Regional – Fran indicated that having the directors stay at the Marriott instead of the Mission Inn cost the District an additional \$1500.

- Ventura Regional Financial Report
District lost money on the tournament.

- Forum Ads in 2008 totaled \$9000 but only \$5000 has been collected. The new 2009 ad procedures will correct this situation.

III. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Report – Teri Atkinson

No actions or activities were reported.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE – Rex Latus

Due to his absence a written summary of activity was included in the meeting folders for board members to read.

Current Activity Included:

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Notification of the change to the Forum Ad payment procedures was sent to all Unit Presidents May 1.

ACBL \$20,000 Charity Grant for 2009: All the required 501c3 letters were obtained and mailed to Kelly McQuire June 24.

An article was mailed July 6 to the Forum for publication in the August edition announcing the District Board election and nomination procedures.

A letter or email was sent August 1 to each Unit President announcing the District election and requesting nominations by September 30.

A conflict with the Riverside Regional site contract date and the ACBL Sanction date was discovered around July 14 by Ken Monzingo. Changing the Sanction date would create issues with both the Yuma and San Diego North County Inland Sectionals. Rex discussed this with both Unit Presidents and they were agreeable to the D22 Sanction date change. An agreement was negotiated and documented regarding how to measure and compensate Unit 549 for a reduced table count should it be necessary.

V. NATIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT Ken Monzingo

Ken reports he is a member of a committee to evaluate a permanent 5th sanction for District 22 in the future.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Tournament Committee Chairman – Jon Wright

- Jon reported that all of Districts pair games were 24 boards but player complaints seem to support 26. After a long discussion on the matter Fran Schwartz made a motion to change the pair events to 26 boards (or 27 depending on section size). The motion was seconded by Jon Wright. A amendment to the motion retained the 24 board movement for night games only. The vote was unanimous – motion passed.

1. Tournaments:

- San Diego, April 6-12, 2009. Manager: Alice Leicht and Bill Grant.
- Ventura, June 8-14, 2009. Manager: Teri Atkinson and Joe Conti.
- Orange County – September 7-13, 2009, Hyatt Regency, Irvine CA. Manager: Jody Pedri & Hans Giroux
- Palm Springs, Dec. 14-20, 2009, Rancho Mirage. Manager: Roberta Grubb. Next tournament manager meeting is planned for Palm Springs.

- Riverside , February 1-7, 2010, Mission Inn. Manager: Jody Pedri & Hans Giroux
Jon Wright reported that the Riverside flyer did not have an Immediate/Novice game scheduled but he is going it to follow up and correct this.

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Jon also reported that Riverside flyer mistakenly advertised a free meal on Sunday. The District will need to absorb the cost.

2. Future Site Selection: Ventura – Teri Atkinson.

- Ventura, October 2010
Ken Monzingo reports that District 22 has a sanction for next year but not on-going from ACBL. A new playing site needs to be found and a contract negotiated.

3. Tournament Budgets: Fran Foresta

A detailed analysis of tournament expenses for the last two years was performed by Fran with considerable assistance from his wife Linda. As a result tournament financial reports to tournament managers have a new format. This will facilitate the planning and budgeting for future tournaments. The Board expressed its appreciation to Linda Foresta for her considerable time and effort on this project.

4. 2009 Fall NABC: Ken Monzingo & Bonnie Bagley

Bonnie provided an update on the tournament.

B. GNT/NAOP's: Warren Cederborg (NAOP) & Wright (GNT) district GNT semifinals and finals 2009).

The format was changed this year to provide a multi-location format as an incentive to increase attendance. Ken Monzingo presented a thank you gift to Director Scott Campbell for his above and beyond the call of duty efforts to help with this new format.

The results of the format changes were discussed at great length. While table count increased slightly, the feedback from players was unfavorable. Fran Foresta reported a significant financial loss.

Before making any compensation and format changes Warren Cederborg suggested he be given the chance to look at what other Districts are doing and report back to Board.

C. STAC Coordinator: Betty Bratcher.

The STAC success is reflected in the increased table count over the years from 2000 to 7000 tables. Fran Foresta asked why the District still only gets \$500? Ken Monzingo suggested bring it to the attention of the Western Conference Board.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- Palm Springs as Permanent Tournament Site – Ken Monzingo

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Pending committee action

- Tournament Equipment & Supplies Update – Fran Foresta for Rex Latus
Rex has distributed several reports for board review. A motion was made by Fran Foresta with a second from Jon Wright to temporary retain the status quo until the next Board meeting.
- Income and Expense Control – Fran Foresta
There is an undocumented agreement with Dan Williams that the District receive a percentage of his book sales. So far in the last year and a half no payments have been submitted. Fran Foresta will review this with Dan and clarify the agreement.

Fran will follow up with a written contract.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- Income and Expense Control
GNT cash award formula needs review - Fran Foresta & Warren Cederborg – Action postponed
- Disciplinary Chair appointment to replace Robert Schwartz
Teri Atkinson will appoint John Griffon to this position.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting is scheduled for Palm Springs December 18.