



American Contract
Bridge League

District 22

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

Location: Board Room, Hotel Irvine Jamboree Road, 17900 Jamboree Road, Irvine, CA 92614

Date & Time: Friday September 5, 2014, 6:30 PM

Members Present: Teri Atkinson & Warren Cederborg (Area I), David Lodge & Mo Anvari (Area II), Andrew Loh (Area III), Fran Schwartz & John Kissinger (Area IV), Ken Monzingo (National Board Representative)

Members Absent: Bill Grant (Area III)

Guests Bonnie Bagley (Western Conference President), Tom Schulman (Tournament Chair), Barbara Dunkley (Tournament Co-Chair), Maritha Pottenger (I/N Coordinator), Nancy Boyd (Director-in-Charge, Riverside Regional)

I. Call to Order

President Lodge called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

II. Introduction of Guests

III. Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting held in San Diego in April 2014 were reviewed, modified, and approved.

IV. President's Remarks

There were no remarks by the President

V. Remarks by Guests

Bonnie Bagley distributed a chart showing the table counts at all ACBL regionals, an information sheet on the ACBL Charity Foundation, and reported that the table count for STAC games have been down.

Nancy Boyd reported on the table count for the Irvine tournament indicating that they show an increase over last year.

VI. Secretary's Report

The Secretary reported that the terms of office of David Lodge, Andrew Loh, and Fran Schwartz will end this year and that the election process is underway. There are currently two candidates for the open seat in Area II, two candidates for the open seat in Area III, and none in Area IV. Fran Schwartz indicated that there is a candidate in Area IV who will contact the

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Secretary to formally declare his candidacy as required by our procedures. The deadline for nominations is September 30 2014 and ballots would be sent out for those Areas where an election is required by October 15 allowing sufficient time for units to vote.

VII. Treasurer's Report

It was reported that a budget has been prepared and distributed to Board Members.

There is a need to review the books of the District as a routine matter but since a formal audit is expensive a review would be conducted by a member of the District. Such a review will be carried out at no cost by a member who is a CPA. The

Treasurer would like tournament managers to supply him with budgets for prizes, hospitality, and audio-visual expenses prior to each tournament.

VIII. Old Business

Report on recognition of District-wide Mini McKenney winners was deferred to the next meeting.

The issue of tournament supplies, which encompasses duplicating cards, was discussed and it was determined that this will be an ongoing discussion item for the Board.

The matter of Strategic Plan/ Mission Statement was deferred to the next meeting.

The situation of the District Website was discussed at some length and it was stated that improvements are being made.

IX. New Business

Lengthy discussion took place regarding the *Forum* specially the length of monthly reports by units within the District. Ken Monzingo provided some historical background and technical information. It was decided to ask Warren Cederborg to resume his functions as the liaison between the Board and the *Forum* and to report to the Board regarding any desirable actions at its next meeting.

Mo Anvari pointed out that the elections in the District are currently conducted using papers ballots. This process is very cumbersome. ACBL

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uses electronic balloting to conduct its elections. ACBL procedures also allow for paper ballots when a unit requests this voting method. He suggested that we learn how it is done at ACBL and consider adopting this method of voting in the District. He was asked to look into the matter and report at the next Board meeting.

X. Committee Reports

A list of Tournament Equipment Inventory was distributed on behalf of Bill Grant and some discussion ensued about the needs of the District.

John Kissinger reported on the GNT and NAP programs.

Teri Anderson reported on Education indicating that teacher and director education programs are being offered during Irvine and Palm Spring regional.

On behalf of Leslie Davis, the President reported that matter of a dispute in Unit 533 has been considered by the Committee and a decision has been reached. It has been found that the amendments made to that unit's by-Laws, which was the subject of the dispute, were not valid. He reported on a number of other disciplinary issues that have been or are being resolved.

XI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 pm.

The next meeting of the Board is to be held on Friday December 19, 2014 in Palm Springs. The exact location of the meeting will be provided at a later time.