



American Contract
Bridge League

District 22

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting

Location: Marriott Riverside at the Convention Center
3400 Market Street, Riverside, Ca. 92501

Date & Time: Friday, February 6, 2016, 6:30 PM

Members Present: Teri Atkinson & Jim Parks (Area I), David Lodge & Mo Anvari (Area II), Bill Grant &

Andrew Loh (Area III), John Kissinger & Ron Lien (Area IV)

Members Absent: None

Guests: Maritha Pottenger (I/N Coordinator), Nancy Boyd (Director in Charge)

I. Call to Order

President Grant called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm.

II. Introductions

III. Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meetings

The minutes of two previous meetings both held in Palm Springs in December 2015 were reviewed, amended, and approved.

IV. President's Remarks and Question Period

No remarks. Mo asked if district provided hotel rooms for any guests of which there were several including the tournament director and the caddies who shared one room. There was a discussion on having a policy for compensated rooms.

V. Guest Remarks - Maritha noted there was interest in I/N program presented. Nancy Boyd reported that through the games of February 5th, there were 1127 tables played which was 10 less than the amount played in 2015. There were no night games on Thursday or Friday nights due to lack of attendance.

VI. Treasurer's Report

David reported that tax returns were done timely in 2014 and will be done timely for 2015. A number of financial reports were presented including the District 22 Balance Sheet, a comparison of Palm Springs Regional expenses between 2014 and 2015, a comparison of the net income of the five regionals and the GNT, NAP and Board of Directors expenses between 2014 and 2015. There was discussion on expense differences and a suggestion by John to consider a limit on amount spent on prizes.

VII. Secretary's Report -Nothing to report



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VIII. Old Business

- A. Membership Growth – Ron proposed funding for growth proposals. A proposal to pay 25%, up to \$250, for Palm Springs area clubs that participate in the ACBL Cooperative Advertising Program. A limit of two awards would be made on a first-come first-serve basis. A second proposal was that 50 clubs each receive 50 labels to attach to old ACBL Bulletins that would be distributed to professional offices such as doctors and dentists. The budgeted amount for each proposal was \$500. The board unanimously approved the two proposals.
- B. Palm Spring NLM tournament – David reported that the event, held between Jan 21st and 24th, was well received by participants and had 452 tables played. The board acknowledged the significant efforts by the two Nancies in this tournament. There was a proposal to continue the tournament in 2017, which was amended to state that there be an investigation of having the tournament in 2017. The amended proposal was unanimously approved.
- C. Term Limits Bylaw Changes – Discussion of the proposed wording for Section 10 for the previously approved term limitations change was discussed. Further study of the wording was recommended.

IX. New Business

- A. Compact Knock-outs in regional tournaments – John presented problems with existing KO format and presented ideas on changes. A discussion followed on possible KO and Swiss formats. Further study was encouraged including doing some testing at a future regional.
- B. The following positions were appointed: Recorder-David, Goodwill-Mo, and Charity-Ron.

X. Committee Reports

Web Site – Andy reported there would be a summary report for the NLM regional for the web site. John Wright is the web manager doing the work gratis.

Tournament – Grant reported that he is continuing work on the handbook for tournaments and that there is problems with getting caddies.

GNT/NAP – Ken reported that the split district finals for the NAP for B & C strata did not work. GNT qualifiers April 2nd and 3rd.

Western Conference – Teri indicated that table fees for regionals will be increasing to cover increased costs.

Education, Membership & club Relations – Teri report that Maritha has taken over education.

New Players Affairs – Teri reported that Maritha has taken over new player activities.

Charity – Nothing to report.

Discipline – Nothing to report.

Appeals – Nothing to report.

Goodwill – Nothing to report.

XI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55.

The next meeting of the Board is to be held on March 24, 2016, in San Diego. The location will be (need location).

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To be approved by the Board of Directors