

District 22

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting

Location: Marriott Hotel located at 3400 Market Street Riverside, CA. 92501 (Phone 951-784-8000)

Date & Time: Friday, February 3, 2017 7:45 PM

Members Present: Diane Gunther & Jim Parks (Area I), David Lodge (Area II), Bill Grant & Andrew Loh (Area

III), John Kissinger & Ron Lien (Area IV), Ken Monzingo (ACBL District Rep.)

Members Absent: No new director had been appointed for Area II

Guests: Arlene Harvey (Director in Charge),

Bonnie Bagley (President ACBL Charities), Warren Cederborg (Western Conference Rep), Nancy Erickson, Nancy Lodge, Lamya Angelides, Maritha Pottenger

I. Call to Order

President Grant called the meeting to order at 7:45 pm

II. Introduction of Guests

III. Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meetings held in Rancho Mirage in December 2016 were reviewed, corrected, and unanimously approved.

IV. President's Remarks and Question Period

Bill passed out copies of other district news publications for review of board members and guests.

V. Guest Remarks

Nancy Erickson asked that the board consider a \$200 stipend per player for youths for the Summer National in Toronto. She noted that the players will need passports. It was reported that the NLM Regional held in Palm Springs in January had 480 tables, an increase of 28 tables over the 2016 regional. It was also report that the tournament had a net income of around \$9,000, which was an increase of \$3000 over 2016. Arlene Harvey reported that as of Friday afternoon, there was an increase of 11 tables over last year's Riverside Regional. Bonnie Bagley reported that 1028 ½ tables participated in the ACBL Charities event. She also report that rather than granting one \$100,000 contribution to a National Charity of the Year that over a four year period each district will be allowed to allocate \$30,000 for no more than five separate grants to qualified 501c3 organizations.

VI. Treasurer's Report

David presented a Profit and Loss statement for January – December 2016, which showed an \$18,087 loss for the year. A balance sheet was presented, which showed total equities of \$155,890. He noted that entry fee increase was not affecting attendance. The major determent noted was hotel prices. Costs of sectionals and regionals were discussed including cost of prizes and whether they were needed.

VII. Secretary's Report

Nothing to report



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VIII. Old Business

- A. Membership Growth It was noted that the Learn Bridge in a Day in Laguna Woods attracted 74 people and had 40 sign up for further instruction.
- B. Regional Free Play and Board Meeting Attendance Policies Ron presented the Regional Free Play Policy as approved in the meeting in December. Discussion was held on a proposal for a policy on attendance and speaking at board meetings. Further investigation will be done on the proposal meeting all legal requirements.
- C. Palm Springs NLM David will apply for a sanction for the 2017 NLM. A proposal for the tournament will be submitted by the San Diego board meeting.
- D. Area II Vacancy It was requested that there be a request for a volunteer from NABC members living in Area II.
- E. Review of District Areas After reviewing the number of members in each District Area as required every five years, or sooner as needed, the board decided that no adjustments in areas were needed.

IX. New Business

- A. Riverside Board Meeting A motion to not hold a board meeting at the Riverside Regional was made. It was amended to include that the board president would have the discretion of enacting a meeting should one be necessary. The motion was seconded and passed on a 6 to 2 vote.
- B. ACBL Hike in Unit Fees for STACs There was discussion of the December increase of club STAC fees without clear communication of the intent on this being done. A suggestion was made that the ACBL list new sanctions on their web site. Bonnie Bagley report that effective April 1st, the fees will be reduced by \$1 increase.
- C. 2017 Youth NABC Scholarships A motion by David to provide \$300 per applicant up to a total of \$3000 for scholarships for the 2017 Youth NABC tournament in Toronto. The motion was unanimously approved.
- D. District 22 ACBL District 22 Charity Grants Units need to submit requests for charities that they want funds to be donated. Ron will develop a standard form for the requests.
- E. District 23 Proposal of Joint Tournament A request by District 23 to hold a joint tournament was held in limbo when the board learned that District 23 had secured sanction for a regional tournament in Glendale at the end of December. A motion by Ron and seconded by Andy that the board vote that it was not in favor of this tournament being held at this time due to the proximity of the dates of the Monterey and Rancho Mirage tournaments. The motion was approved with one dissenting vote.
- F. Change of Bank of America CD signers A motion to remove the existing signers for a Bank of America CD and add Bill and Andy was made by Jim and seconded by John. The motion was unanimously approved.

X. Committee Reports

- 1. Web Site Andy reported that the need of multiple web sites is continuing to be investigated.
- 2. Tournament Grant reported that Diane will be the tournament director for the Ventura regional.
- 3. GNT/NAP John reported that the GNT district qualifiers will be held at the end of March and early April. Local qualifiers may be held at clubs until the Friday before the first regional qualifier.
- 4. Western Conference Bonnie Bagley welcomed new conference member Warren Cederborg.
- 5. Education, Membership & Club Relations (appointment needed).
- 6. New Players Affairs Maritha Pottenger was appointed to this position.
- 7. Charity Ron Lien was appointed to this position.



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- 8. Discipline No report.
- 9. Appeals Nathan McKay was appointed to this position.
- 10. Goodwill -Diane Gunther was appointed to the Goodwill position.
- 11. Recorder Nothing to report.

XI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 The next meeting of the Board is to be held on April 13rd at 6:30 in San Diego. Location TBD.