

ACBL District 22
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
January 27, 2022
Via Zoom

Members Present:

Area 1: Tish Gainey (Secretary) & Frank Swanson
Area 2: Linda Decquir & Barbara Maniscalco (Vice President)
Area 3: Lamyra Agelidis (President) & Bill Grant
Area 4: Ron Lien & Richard Picheny (Treasurer)
ACBL Advisory Council District 22 Representative: David Sizemore
ACBL Board of Directors Region 11 Representative (non-voting): David Lodge

I. Call to Order

President Agelidis called the special meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

II. Minutes

The minutes of the December 16, 2021 meetings were approved. Frank Swanson abstained.

III. President's Report

Agelidis gave an update on the Palm Springs Regional. The net income was \$3141. The attendance was about 48% of the pre-pandemic 2019 attendance. The hotel gave us relief on the food and beverage commitment of \$35,000; charging us \$21,000. The hotel was pleased with the number of rooms booked as a fair number of out-of-area players attended multiple days. Attendance by I/N players was low.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Picheny reviewed the financial reports. There was a loss of \$11,000 for the year ending 2021.

V. NAP

Lien discussed past practices of subsidies provided by ACBL and the District to winners who attend the Nationals. Motion made by Gainey, seconded by Lien, that the District discontinue stipends for third and fourth place NAP District qualifiers. Motion passed unanimously.

VI. GNT

Lien will put out an email to all players that there is no need for GNT qualifying at the club level. Lien received approval from ACBL for this change to the Conditions of Contest.

VII. National Report

Lodge reported the League is still budgeting for a loss of \$800,000 in 2022. Focus for the year is on two major issues: stopping the attrition rate and I.T. Lodge is

now the Finance Chair of the national board and will be spending time at Horn Lake educating himself on the League's procedures.

VIII. D22 Regionals

Agelidis expressed concern about the future of the District's regional tournaments in light of the ongoing pandemic and online bridge.

A Tournament Committee will address possible venues and other issues related to tournaments. Those volunteering to serve on the committee are: Swanson, Maniscalco, Grant, Lien and Agelidis. The committee will meet every two weeks on Thursday for one hour starting February 10, 2022.

IX. Education

Part of the District's mission is to promote programs of ongoing bridge education. To that end Agelidis will form a District Education Committee. Gainey and Swanson agreed to serve on the committee. Agelidis will ask for other volunteers from the District, including teachers, and will contact District 17 to find out about their education program.

X. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the District 22 Board will be Thursday, April 14, 2022, at the San Diego Regional Tournament.

XI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Tish Gainey
Secretary