

## **DISTRICT 22 BOARD MEETING VIA ZOOM**

**OCTOBER 26, 2024: 10AM**

### **PRESENT:**

- Christine Denny-President
- Lamy Agelidis
- Millie Garrison
- Vicki Graves
- David Lodge
- Paul Markovitz
- Richard Picheny
- Frank Swanson
- Gary Waldron

### **ABSENT:**

- Subba Ravipudi

### **GUESTS:**

- Lou Arevalo
- Cornelia Gould

### **VIA EMAIL VOTE PRIOR TO THE MEETING:**

The Minutes from the September 5, 2024 board meeting were approved.

An Education Grant request of \$490 for Bakersfield was approved. This will allow the unit to break even financially for a Marjorie Michelin workshop on October 25.

### **DISCUSSION:**

Christine introduced Cornelia Gould as the D22 StaC Coordinator for 2025. Given the dissolution of the Western Conference at the end of the year, Cornelia said that we could continue to partner with D21 and then separately with D23 to run StaC's but that we should have a revenue sharing arrangement. David said that joint StaC's had started because ACBL offered a price break on fees based on the table count and asked what benefit the district gained with joint STaC's going forward? It was agreed that we would run singular (D22 only) StaC's in 2025 and Cornelia said she would advise D21 of this. The board voted to run three StaC's in 2025: May 5-11, August 18-24, and November 17-23. The May and November events will be Royal StaC's. Frank can initiate sanction applications. As to D23, Christine will tell the unit president that if

they'd like us to participate in their StaC's we might do so if there is revenue sharing and they run them.

Lou Arevalo was introduced as the D22 NAP/GNT coordinator for 2025 with an emphasis on any efforts we can take that would improve lackluster participation at these events. David said the new brackets should provide some motivation, especially at the NAP's. Christine asked that the discussion focus on the GNT as it is 'next up' on the schedule and because most clubs don't routinely offer team games. Other participation issues include travel time and costs. It was agreed that David & Lou would seek ideas from New England and Houston as they've had good participation and pursue the idea of split site and remote events. Their suggestions will be discussed at the December board meeting.

Christine talked about the Board Structure for 2025. She said Frank would not seek re-election to the board, but Janet Crossley had volunteered to run for his seat. Richard will seek re-election. Gary's position as the Advisory Council rep was a rotating one and Cornelia Gould would replace Gary for 2025. She also said Subba was resigning from the board effective January 1, and it was agreed that Bill Shane would be asked to fill the remainder of his term. Christine said she would not seek re-election as president because of the demands of her employment but would continue to serve on the board unless the board would ask her to step down. She suggested that Richard replace her as president. She asked for requests from members for specific board responsibilities and Millie said she'd like to continue with Education and Paul offered to do Goodwill.

The Annual Meeting will be held on Thursday, December 12 between sessions at the Palm Springs Regional. The by-laws require that we notify the unit presidents via email 30 days in advance, and she'd do that given details about the time and room number and agenda.

Richard moved that the board contribute the \$5903.77 remaining in our account from the last NABC in San Diego to the 2026 San Diego NABC fund. Lamya seconded and the motion was approved. There was discussion as to whether the 2026 fund needed to be a new account or just a re-name of the last such fund or? Richard will check with ACBL.

Christine asked Lamya to excuse herself from the meeting and then suggested that the board should increase Nick Agelidis' compensation for the great job he does with the District 22 website and D22 Connection. She moved to increase his compensation from \$600 to \$1000 a month and the motion was approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15am.

Submitted by: Vicki Graves