

Capital of Texas Bridge Association
ACBL District 16, Unit 207
Monthly Minutes: September 11, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 2:40 pm by President George Watkins.

Members Present: Patty Webb, Pat Rutledge, Ken MacMorran, Blair Lapwing, Joyce Cooper, George Watkins, Hutch Hutchinson, and Pam LaShelle.

The treasurer's report was reviewed and approved.

The minutes were reviewed, but had previously been approved electronically.

Old Business: The two session Swiss will be on October 19, with two separate sessions, and will be run in a bracketed Swiss format. Blair will talk to newer players and promote the event. The goal of this event is to introduce newer players to the Swiss game.

Hospitality for the September tournament will be handled by Clara Woods on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, with Patty Webb handled the services on Thursday.

New Business: Candidates for the recipients of the Texas Star Award and the Goodwill Recipients were discussed and named. The names will not be released until February.

It was decided that the Unit Christmas party will be December 14 and will be a complimentary 2 single session event with a catered meal in between sessions.

January 25 is the GNT unit level Flight B and C qualifier games.

February 8 is the Unit Annual Meeting.

It was moved and approved that the NLM tournaments will be 1 session events on each day. There will no longer be the need for providing a meal for the Saturday game.

Bracketed Swiss events were discussed. The members will talk more with Larry and other directors before committing to this format, but are interested in using the bracketed format in certain events.

Pam LaShelle made a presentation on a national program called "Learn to Play Bridge in a Day," and it was moved and approved that our Unit will apply for a grant to run the event, but will spend up to \$1100 for sponsorship of the event. The goal is to bring new players into the game and give them enough information that they can play a game of bridge after the one day program.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45.