

**Capital of Texas Bridge Association**  
**ACBL District 16, Unit 207**  
**Monthly Minutes: October 9, 2013**

The meeting was called to order by President George Watkins at 2:45 p.m.

**Members Present:** Pat Rutledge, Ken MacMorran, Blair Lapwing, Robert Donathan, Joyce Cooper, George Watkins, Hutch Hutchison, and Pam LaShelle.

**Old Business:**

Robert Donathan presented the treasurer's report and it was reviewed and approved.

Joyce Cooper read the Minutes for September and they were approved.

The program "Bridge in a Day" was re-discussed and the Unit decided not to move forward with the program at this point in time. It may be discussed at a later time.

**New Business:** Laura Delfeld made a brief presentation on a tiered mentoring program. It was moved and approved that the Unit would pick up the cost for each mentor's game, when the mentor had over 1500 points, at any Club in the Unit. It was agreed that each player who played with a mentor would have to turn around and offer their services to a player without as much experience. One up and one down so to say!

Electronic cigarettes were discussed and it was decided to not permit the usage of them at Unit games.

It was agreed that the bracketed Swiss venue would be used for all Swiss games at the 2014 Austin Regional Tournament. The Board agreed to review the events and player response to the events and have the option of returning to the previous format should there be a general consensus to do so.

Kevin Perkins has requested 4 more sets of Boards. He thinks we need them by the summer regional. It was moved and approved to purchase the Boards.

Pam LaShelle and Joyce Cooper agreed to redo our Unit bulletin board!

The October 19<sup>th</sup> two session Swiss game will have a cost of \$7 per player. A team may play in one or both sessions. There will be a complimentary lunch between sessions. Paul Tobias will be asked to give a talk on the strategy of team play, starting at 9:30, prior to the first game.

The North American Pairs qualifying game will be October 26. The cost will be \$10 per person for each session with a light meal provided between sessions.

Joe Black will be asked to head up the nominating committee for 2014 Board positions. There will also be an announcement on the web site that the election is up coming and asking if there is someone particularly interested in serving on the Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50.