

## **Texas Capital Bridge Association**

### **ACBL Unit 207**

#### **Monthly Minutes: March 19, 2014**

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Pam LaShelle at 2:45.

**Members Present:** Pam LaShelle, Pat Rutledge, Patty Webb, Hutch Hutchinson, Blair Lapwing, Ken MacMoran, Joyce Cooper, and newly elected Board Member Genie Kaplan.

**Old Business:** The financial statement for February was reviewed and approved.

**New Business:** New officers nominated and approved: Pam LaShelle, President; Pat Rutledge, Vice-President; Joyce Cooper, Secretary; and Genie Kaplan, Treasurer. George Watkins will be hospitality chairman, Hutch Hutchinson will continue as education chairman; and Ken MacMorran will continue as the web site master.

The 8 is Enough Unit Event is scheduled for April 19. There will be a charge of \$7.00 per person and the stratifications will remain the same as in the past. The City Championship is scheduled for May 31 and will be a 2 session free event for all Unit members with a complimentary meal served between sessions. For this event the stratifications will follow NAP guidelines: Novice: to 200; Flight C: 0-750; Flight B: 750-2500; and Flight A: 2500 plus.

Larry Davis presented the new contract with the Crown Plaza for the next January tournaments, 2015-2019. It was moved and approved that Larry proceed with the contract. A motion was also made and approved to approve the contract with the Doubletree for the 2018 summer regional.

Larry Davis requested that the Unit order new bidding boxes. It was moved and approved to order 20 new sets (80 new bidding boxes total). It was also requested that perhaps we need 20 new tables. George is to be consulted on this and if he is in agreement, it was moved that he proceed with the purchase.

Larry Davis also requested that the Board bear in mind that \$30,000 has been allocated to District 16 for charity awards. Unit 207 has \$5000 allocated and the

Unit needs to decide on a charity for this award. This was tabled for further consideration.

Kerrville, Unit 172, has invited Unit 207 to participate in their STaC games the week of April 14-20. It was moved and approved that any Clubs in the Unit may do so as long as our Unit's participation is ruled to be legal.

It was moved and approved to name an event at the Summer Regional for George Watkins and another for Flora Pettit in recognition of their long service and dedication to the Unit.

Terry O'Brien and Mary Anne Laier presented ideas for the summer hospitality awards. It is proposed that winners be given a choice of a wine glass or a mug. Stickers and convention cards are proposed for the hospitality desk.

Pat Rutledge will serve as the Chair for the September, 2014, sectional tournament.

Larry Davis announced that he will no longer be the editor of the Unit by monthly Newsletter.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20.