Texas Capital Bridge Association ACBL Unit 207

Monthly Minutes: April 9. 2014

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

Members Present: Pam LaShelle, Ken MacMorran, George Watkins, Pat Rutledge, Robert Donathan, Blair Lapwing.

Old Business: Robert Donathan presented the financial statements for March. They were approved. The Minutes for March had been previously approved electronically,

New Business: It was proposed and approved that Hospice Austin be the official named charity of Unit 207 this year and that the Unit 207 award from the District, in the amount of \$5,000, will be donated to Hospice Austin.

Sally Sekac, who runs the Westlake Bridge Club, has requested a monetary grant to hold a special game with dinner to honor players in her bridge club. It was proposed that Sally be invited to the next Board meeting to explain how this award might be a different event from the one at the Bridge Center which does monthly lunches and recognition for all Unit members reaching new milestones. Laurene Jacobs will also be asked to participate in the discussion.

Per Pam's conversation with Larry Davis, the Unit will add a 2 Session Swiss game with lunch between sessions and an 8 is Enough event to the calendar.

It was moved and approved to continue the payment of \$1200 to the Director of a Regional tournament, to be split amount workers as deemed by the Director.

It was moved and approved to pay the \$25.00 fee to the ACBL for the ACBL Common Game at the May Sectional.

George reviewed his work with the Unit Clubs with their Charity Events. It was moved and approved to support George's work, including loaning Unit materials to the Clubs for special events.

The Board agreed that anyone seeking reimbursement from the Unit must submit a receipt.

The meeting was adjourned.

Follow up Special Board Meeting as requested by President Pam LaShelle: April 15, 2014; 2:45 p.m.

Members Present: Pam LaShelle, George Watkins, Pat Rutledge, Ken MacMorran, Joyce Cooper, Blair Lapwing.

It was moved and approved to support Unit Bridge instructors Jack Lacy and Gayle Moyers in the amount of \$450 each to attend a special Teacher's Convention at the summer Nationals to assist with expenses. In keeping with past tradition, they will present a review of their experience and new teaching methods being proposed to the Unit and freely share their information with Unit teachers and members as interested.

The Board reviewed the policy of awarding each Unit member of a qualifying national NAP pair or GNT team the amount of \$500 to cover expenses. This has been our previous policy. In addition, the District also gives a stipend of \$1500 to a qualifying GNT team and pays the entry fees.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:05.