

Texas Capital Bridge Association
ACBL unit 207
Monthly Minutes: October 8, 2014

President Pam LaShelle called the meeting to order at 2:55 pm.

Members Present: Pam LaShelle, Pat Rutledge, Nell Dale, George Watkins, Joyce Cooper, Blair Lapwing, Hutch Hutchison.

Old Business:

The Treasurer's report was reviewed and approved.

The Minutes, which had been approved electronically, were reviewed.

The free play policy was reviewed.

Nell Dale reported on her visit to Gaines Ranch and Pat Rutledge reported that she had visited San Marcos and Kyle.

Pam LaShelle reported that Austin Hospice has not received their donation of \$5,000 from the ACBL. ACBL offices were damaged by storms in September and they have attributed their delay to that problem.

Hutch Hutchison reported that the current membership is 964 members.

Pam LaShelle reported that Kingsland has raised half the cost for a dealing machine and that the Unit will pay one half the cost as per previous agreements with Unit Clubs for making improvements in the Clubs.

1. It had been agreed electronically prior to this meeting that Harry Ingram could purchase excess scoring pads which the Unit had for one half their cost with the understanding that the devices be available to the Unit for future tournaments.

New Business:

Nominations were made and approved for the recipients of the 2014 Goodwill Awards.

The use of helium balloons to identify playing sections for use at the January tournament at the Crown Plaza were discussed and it was agreed to try to use them if the hotel agrees.

It was moved and approved to cap the reimbursement for lunch expenses for the 2015 Mentor/Mentee program at \$320.00.

Upcoming events were discussed in general: the NAP finals will be a 2 session event on October 18 with a light lunch being served; November 1 will be a 1 session Swiss, and the Unit 207 Christmas Party will be December 13, which will be a 2 session event with lunch between sessions; Joyce Cooper will Chair the April 30-May 3, 2015, sectional tournament at the Bridge Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 pm.