Texas Capital Bridge Association

ACBL Unit 207

Monthly Minutes: November 19, 2014

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

Members Present: George Watkins, Patty Webb, Blair Lapwing, Pam LaShelle, Nell Dale, Joyce Cooper, and Pat Rutledge. Also present: Treasurer Robert Donathan.

Old Business:

The treasurer's report was presented by Treasurer Robert Donathan, reviewed and approved

The minutes of the October meeting, which had previously been approved electronically, were read by Secretary Joyce Cooper.

The recent Unit sponsored "Swiss" free play was approved electronically after the last meeting. It was agreed that the event was a well received and a worthy event, but that in future, the Board will address all free plays prior to announcement.

New Business:

Arrangements for the annual Christmas party, a free 2 session event scheduled for December 13, were discussed. George announced that fajitas have been ordered for lunch. It was agreed to ask the attending members to bring a dessert

It was moved and approved to reimburse Larry Davis the amount of \$100 for his annual Christmas party to help defray the cost of the food.

Pam reported that The Crown Plaza Hotel has agreed to sell breakfast tacos in the hall during our January tournament. It was recommended that a coffee and soft drink sales area also be set up. Pam also reported that she is trying to get some book vendors and possibly other vendors to set up tables.

George reported that the nominating committee has 10 names of candidates for the Board, with 5 names as alternates. There will be 3 new members elected for 3 year terms, one member for a one year term (replacing Patty Webb) and one member for a 2 year term, currently being filled by Nell Dale.

The Annual Meeting will be February 7, 2015, followed by free play for all attending Unit 207 members.

It was moved and approved to begin an investment program. We will make a monthly investment of \$3,000.00 per month for 8 months into Vanguard's Standard and Poor 500 Fund, beginning this month. At the end of that time, we will review the program and decide if we want to continue the program or make adjustments. The goal is to be better stewards of the Unit money, and protect our financial status.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45.