

ACBL Unit 207 Board of Director's Meeting: July 13, 2016

Call to order and establish quorum

The meeting was called to order by President Rachell Jackson at 3:05 PM.

Members present: Joyce Cooper, Rachell Jackson, Hutch Hutchison, Pam LaShelle, Sandy Potts, and Dean Truair.

Electronically approved proposals

The Unit Board approved paying directors \$50 extra for directing Unit-run games that have only one director and twenty or more tables.

The Unit Board approved supplementing Kevin Perkins' per diem pay for the Regional tournament.

Review and approve June minutes: These were approved electronically.

Treasurer's report: Jo Dee sent Board members a spreadsheet that detailed expenses and money made for the Unit Regional. The July treasurer report will be reviewed at a later date.

Membership report: We currently have 994 members, including 12 new members, 5 transfers in, 2 transfers out.

Old Business:

1. Review Regional

- a. The Board discussed guidelines for spending expenses and income. Rachell added that she and Jo Dee already plan to develop a Unit budget, based on a two-year cycle. Several people were suggested for assisting with the budget. Recommendations for future Regional expenses will be part of the budget work.
- b. The Board voted to give free plays for the upcoming September Sectional to several exceptional contributors.
- c. Attendance was down this year. The Board discussed ways to publicize Unit tournaments.

2. Discuss "naming event" results. Pam suggested that if this event continues that the honoree's photo be displayed and an announcement made for recognizing the honoree.

3. **Lecture updates:** Jack Lacy, Paul Tobias, Beth Tobias, Mary Anne Laier, and Leonard McCormick will continue to present the first- Saturday lesson for intermediate and advanced players.
4. **Discuss expenses for Regional:** The Board voted to increase tournament entry fees (sectionals and regionals) by \$2.
5. **Name badges** for Unit Board members have been requested. Rachell will manage. The Board agreed to pay for these badges.
6. **Classes offered:** Pam reported that 14 students took the ACBL teacher accreditation course and 29 Unit members took the director's course which she organized. Nine teaching candidates were from our Unit and five were from outside our Unit. There were also 2 director candidates from outside our Unit. Harry offered a director test directly after the director course and will offer another one to be announced at a later date.

New Business:

1. **Upcoming Unit events**
 - a. Unit-run game on July 16
 - b. 0-200 tournament: August 20-21
 - c. Fall sectional: September 22-25
2. **Nationals 2021:** Rachell asked BJ Sanders to take the lead on the Nationals. BJ has put together a proposal for fund raising: raising the entry fee for Unit-run tournaments by \$2. The Board will put \$1.50 towards the National fund and keep \$0.50.
3. **January Sectional** will be co-chaired by Rachell and Jo Dee. The Board voted to increase the entry fee by \$2, with some of the money put into the fund for the Nationals.
4. **Learn Bridge in a Day:** The topic was tabled for now. Rachell will give details about what's required for this program.
5. **GNT stipend.** The Board voted to give a \$500 stipend to Unit members who participate in the GNT. Danny Feng, Robert Witcher, James Moody and Jerry Barrett will be participating at the GNT event.

Meeting Adjourned: 4:05 PM