

UNIT 207 Minutes
Board of Directors Meeting
07/09/2020

Meeting called to order: 2:35 PM (via WebEx Meeting)

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Barbara Clements	X
Mickey Goldwater	X
Linda Griffith	X
Cheri Gross	X
Sharon Hoger	X
James Moody	X
Sandy Potts	X
Dean Truair	X
Rita Wiegenstein	X

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. Approval of Unit Meeting Minutes

Verified during Board of Directors (BOD) Meeting - June Minutes approved electronically and filed on Unit's website

2. Financial Report (Barbara Clements)

- Financial information including a balance sheet and profit/loss statement were provided to the BOD via email by Barbara Clements. Motion was made and seconded to accept the financial information – unanimously approved.
- Dividend of \$1.40 added to Vanguard account
- 2019 tax return has been filed

3. Membership Report (Linda Griffith)

1 new members and 3 transfers into Unit

4. Tournament Scheduling

- 0-50 Sectional Tournament planned for 10-11 Oct 2020: Motion was made and seconded to cancel 0-50 Tournament
- January Sectional is scheduled at the Crowne Plaza. If it is cancelled, there may be a cancellation penalty. Larry Davis is negotiating with Crowne Plaza. However, if the January Sectional is cancelled, there is a possibility of multiple unit championships.
- 2020 Unit Championships: If cancelled, additional championships will be available for the future. Motion was made and seconded to cancel 2020 Unit Championships
- 2023 sanctions now available

5. Free Play Policy Update (Barbara Clements)

- James Moody agreed to help with Free Play Policy
- A spreadsheet has been developed for tracking free play and will be completed with totals received from Bridge Center of Austin (BCA) and other clubs. Monthly updates (spreadsheet) will be provided to the BOD, as applicable.

6. Conflict of Interest Policy Update (Sharon Hoger)
Options discussed with local lawyer from bridge community who recommended that the goal of a Conflict of Interest Policy would be for all clubs within the unit to be treated equally and for any owners/officers to abstain from voting on any motions with a potential conflict of interest. A sample policy can be obtained from a website recommended by the lawyer and will be distributed for BOD review by Sharon Hoger. Cheri Gross suggested that after the Conflict of Interest Policy is reviewed and approved, the BOD will examine signing a disclosure statement indicating review and understanding of the finalized policy.

7. WebEx Platform Limitations (James Moody)
Cost of obtaining enhanced version of WebEx Meeting to be determined by James Moody. Once cost is known, BOD will decide what is best platform to use for virtual meetings.

8. District Meeting Updates (Sharon Hoger)
The following information from the District Meeting was shared:
 - o There will not be a Unit 207 GNT held. It will be held in 2021, possibly at Spring Sectional or in Dallas. If anyone qualified for GNT by August 2019, the same qualification eligibility will apply even if person's point level has increased since qualification (same level of play).
 - o NAP 2020 has been cancelled and will be played at the National Tournament 2021. Earlier qualification will still apply.
 - o Any ad fees paid to the Scorecard for events now cancelled will be refunded to the Unit.
 - o Virtual online learning platform "Shark Bridge" may be available for use by local clubs as teaching platform.

9. Miscellaneous/New Business – None

Meeting adjourned: 3:09 PM

Action Items	Responsible	Status	Comments
Provide final draft of Free Play Policy to BOD	James Moody (updated)	Pending	
Develop tracking system for Free Play	Barbara Clements	Completed	Spreadsheet available for use.
Provide Free Play Policy with redemption guidance to club directors/managers	Cheri Gross	Pending	
Follow-up with Larry Davis about availability for directing 0-50 Sectional Tournament (10-11Oct2020)	Sharon Hoger	NA	0-50 Sectional Tournament has been cancelled.
Obtain a legal opinion on how to best find/write a conflict of interest policy	Sharon Hoger	Completed	Legal recommendation obtained.
Provide draft Conflict of Interest Policy for BOD review.	Sharon Hoger	Pending	
Determine cost of obtaining enhanced version of WebEx Meeting	James Moody	Pending	