

MINUTES OF ACBL UNIT 172 BOARD OF DIRECTORS
AUGUST 10, 2004

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by President Roxana Tom at Bailey's Bridge Studio.

Members present: Roger Boeka, Patrick Cardullo, Phyllis Giffin, Everette Lewis, Helen McCrae, Sally Parker, Ed Rawlinson, Janise Saul, Beverly Santos, and Roxana Tom.

Minutes of the July 13, 2004 meeting were approved.

The attached Treasurer's Report was submitted by Ed Rawlinson. The Unit fund balance on August 10, 2004 is \$87537.32. Ed also presented a revised report for the Unit's June 27, 2004 County Fair game; an accounting of the July 25, 2004 Summer Charity Game; a monthly comparison of total unit funds for 2003 and 2004; and an Income and Expense Summary to date for 2004.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Membership: Everette Lewis passed out the current ACBL Unit 172 Report that listed a membership of 701.
- B. Unit Games: Summer Charity Game held July 25, 2004 at Bailey's Bridge Studio had 18 tables in flights A/B/C and 3 tables of 99ers. There was a net loss on this event of \$183.08. Luau Championship will be August 22, 2004 at Bailey's.
- C. Tournaments: New Braunfels Sectional is September 9 to 12, 2004 with Nell Morgan serving as tournament chair. Election Sectional is November 4 to 7, 2004 and the Winter Sectional is in January, 2005. Discussion concerning the schedule for these two tournaments followed. A motion was made, seconded, and passed that the third day games would be a two session event at both tournaments. A motion was made, seconded, and passed that the first night game be a Board-A-Match at both tournaments. District 16 NAOP Finals will be held during the Winter Sectional.
- D. Education: Several schools have expressed interest in having bridge instruction as part of their extracurricular program. These schools include Keystone, St. Philip's College, Palo Alto College, and Boerne.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Directory: Everette Lewis with the help of Beverly Santos as proofreader is continuing with the membership directory. It is the consensus of the board to wait until after the November Election Sectional to publish, so as to have the most current information.

- B. Policy on Naming Events or Tournaments: A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the ACBL Unit 172 Event Naming Policy as presented by Patrick Cardullo. Patrick was commended for his good work on this policy.
- C. Cost of van rental for moving supplies to tournaments: Sally Parker and Roger Boeka researched the costs of van rentals and presented their findings. In the past, Doug Cross has kindly volunteered the use of his vehicles to help transport tournament supplies. He suggested owning our own equipped van could save storage expense. Janise Saul will send a letter and two free plays for each Unit Sectional to Doug expressing the Board's appreciation of his service to our Unit. At this time we plan to continue using the storage unit for keeping supplies.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Schedule for voting at clubs: A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the 2004 Schedule for Voting at Clubs as presented. The Election Committee consists of: Sandra Weber, Dorothy Rippstein, Donna McBride, Pat Russell, and Peter Thorne.
- B. Mentor-Mentee program for 2005: Beverly Santos and Patrick Cardullo are co-chairing this program. They are currently receiving mentor and mentee registrations. The Mentor-Mentee luncheon is scheduled for November. A motion was made, seconded, and passed that mentee candidates must have less than 99 recorded master points on December 31, 2004 to be eligible for the 2005 program.
- C. Liability Insurance: Lipscomb & Pitts Insurance has offered Directors' and Officers' Liability coverage to the Unit for \$475 annually. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to have Roger Boeka and Ed Rawlinson review this and bring a recommendation to the Board.
- D. First unit game of 2005: Traditionally the first Unit game of each year is the best attended. It is difficult for our local clubs to host a game of 40 tables. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to explore the possibility of holding a game in February, 2005 at St. Matthew's Catholic Church.
- E. Alamo Sectional conflict with USBF: The USBF Dallas Regional is November 29 to December 5, 2004. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to move the Alamo Bridge Club Holiday Sectional from December 2 to 5, 2004 to December 9 to 12, 2004. The Unit's Holiday Party will be Sunday, December 5, 2004.
- F. Reimbursement for Entries in GNT Superflight: A motion was made, seconded, and passed to reimburse entry fees for our Unit members in the GNT Superflight.

F. Other New Business: USBF has moved their Houston Regional to begin May 22, 2005. The Board will start work on the 2005 calendar dates. A request was made for statistics from Unit Games for the past three years.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Phyllis Giffin
Secretary