

MINUTES OF ACBL UNIT 172 BOARD OF DIRECTORS
APRIL 12, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by President Roxana Tom at Alamo Bridge Club.

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

Minutes of the March 8, 2005 were approved as presented.

Letters from ACBL report closures of two clubs in Unit 172:

ARC Duplicate Bridge Club #222000 on January 19, 2005

Gonzales Community DBC #228213 on March 16, 2005.

The Treasurer's Report submitted by Ed Rawlinson showed the Unit fund balance on April 12, 2005 of \$81454.16. Once receipts from the Kerrville Sectional are recorded, the balance should increase by approximately \$6000.

Kim Carpenter questioned the Board about the move of the Kerrville tournament from the Inn of the Hills to the Y-O Ranch Resort Hotel and requested consideration of a change in playing times from 1:00 pm and 7:00 pm to 12:00 noon and 7:00 pm to allow more time to rest and eat between sessions. Janise Saul responded that the rates for playing area, rooms, and meals at the Inn of the Hills has increased substantially over the past few years and the Y-O Ranch Resort Hotel has given a better rate.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Membership: Everette Lewis passed out the ACBL Unit 172 Report for March, 2005. Our current membership is 698. He also presented a roster of active clubs with playing times, the current Ace of Clubs and Mini-McKenney standings, and the QUIP Report through March, 2005.
- B. Tournaments: Kerrville Sectional held March 31 to April 3, 2005 was a big success with a net profit of \$2668.31. There was an increase of 40 tables over previous years. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to purchase flowers for the tournament chair, coordinator, honoree Margaret Higgins in the future. July Regional is moving right along. The suit bags ordered as registration gifts will be the short version. The longer ones were ordered, so the company is giving a \$280 refund to keep the shorter bags
- C. Awards Day is May 21, 2005. Roger Boeka, Sally Parker, and Everette Lewis will host.
Sr. Olympics is a two session event tomorrow at the Jewish Community Center. Seventeen tables are registered.
- D. Education: Congratulations to Helen McCrae and Ed Rawlinson on the newspaper article on student programs.
- E. Winning Finesse deadline for the next issue is April 18, 2005. The Regional schedule will be in this issue.

- F. Other Committee Reports: TAP class at the Regional will be \$55 for Unit 172 members, \$75 for District 16 members, and \$95 for others. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to add a KO to the New Braunfels Sectional this year. The times to be Thursday morning, Friday morning, and Friday afternoon.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Audit: Patrick Cardullo reported the audit of the 2004 financial records is finished and all reports are in order from the sampling.
- B. Drayage Agreement: Ed Rawlinson reported Tom Marsh has agreed to the proposed drayage rates, maintaining an inventory and ordering needed supplies for the Unit. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the proposed Drayage Rates.
- C. Other Old Business: Bailey's Bridge Studio will host a 0-299er tournament May 6-8, 2005. Alamo Bridge Club's 0-299er fall tournament will be a full Sectional Tournament.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Growth Program: Donna Compton is pushing for all Units to host a Growth Program Seminar.
- B. Bruce Reeves is suggesting each Unit establish its own Goodwill award and Volunteer of the Year award. Currently the Texas Star Award is the only Unit award.
- C. Schedule Work Day: June 11, 2005 is the work day for the Regional tournament.
- D. Nominating Committee: Sally Parker, Sheryleen Grothus, and Jane Stillabower.
- E. Plan for rotating NAPs with Austin: A motion was made, seconded, and passed for Austin and San Antonio to alternate the Regional and the NAPs, not having both the same year.
- F. Other New Business: To continue starting Unit Board meetings at 5:00 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM

Phyllis Giffin
Secretary