MINUTES OF ACBL UNIT 172 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MARCH 8, 2005

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

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

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

The Treasurer's Report submitted by Ed Rawlinson showed the Unit fund balance on March 8, 2005 of \$87112.70. The Unit Charity game held o February 19, 2005 at St. Matthews Catholic Church realized a net profit of \$120. 84. There were 26 tables in play.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Membership: Everette Lewis passed out the ACBL Unit 172 Report for February, 2005. Our current membership increased to 698.
- B. Tournaments: Janise Saul reported plans for the Kerrville Sectional are going well. Prices of rooms and the Sunday meal have increased at the Inn of the Hills, so she and Margaret Higgins will meet with the Y-O Hilton as a possible site for the future. The Swiss Team event will be named for Margaret Higgins in recognition of her ongoing work in organizing this highly successful tournament. At the summer Regional at the Omni Hotel the Swiss Team day will have a box lunch provided by the hotel, not Jason's Deli as has been used in the past. A Parlor Room will be available for Donna Compton to provide babysitting service. Plans to provide a TAP seminar with fees of \$70 for Unit members and \$95 for others are in the works.
- B. Unit events: The GNT event was held at Alamo Bridge Club on March 5, 2005. Six "B" teams were in attendance. No "C" teams were present. A suggestion was made to have this match chaired by an "A" player. The next Unit game is the March Madness on March 19 at Bailey's Bridge Studio. It was suggested that a committee be formed to call 0-99 players. The Senior Olympics game is April 13, 2005 at the Jewish Community Center. It is a two session event with early entries due by March 18, 2005. The going away game for Marilyn Arnold had 13 ½ tables in play on March 4, 2005 at Bailey's Bridge Studio. A suggestion was made to have a Unit sponsored Military Appreciation Game near Veterans Day.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Audit: Patrick Cardullo and Ms Roxana Tom will conduct an audit of the Treasurer's books by next month.
- B. Drayage Committee Report: Ed Rawlinson will talk to Tom Marsh about

- assuming the responsibility of drayage for Unit events and ordering supplies. The storage unit is mostly cleaned out. The cabinets in the unit which are not needed will be given away.
- C. Other Old Business: A motion was made, seconded, and passed to help support the Unit's NAP qualifiers Patty Lozano with \$100, and Sheryleen Grothus and Sandra Weber with \$300 each in their trip to the National Finals in Pittsburgh.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Memorial for Marie Bailey: A motion was made, seconded, and passed to name the Novice/Intermediate events at the San Antonio Regional in honor of Marie Bailey in recognition of her support and encouragement of new players for the game.
- B. Rich Lampman's request to change the October 299er sectional to a full sectional: A motion was made, seconded, and passed to request permission from ACBL to allow this event to be a regular sectional.
- C. Purchase of a dolly: A motion was made, seconded, and passed to buy a dolly for transporting furniture and supplies for Unit events.
- D. Letter to HEB: Patrick Cardullo composed an excellent letter to HEB requesting support for the summer Regional.
- E. Other New Business: Awards Day is May 21, 2005. Everette Lewis will order pins for the new Life Masters in the Unit. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to give a free play to the first place winners in each category of the Ace of Clubs and Mini-McKenney races.
 - A letter will be sent to John Watkins thanking him for his work for the Unit over the years.

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.

Phyllis Giffin Secretary