

Minutes ACBL Unit 172
Board of Directors
August 8, 2006

The meeting was called to order by the President, Janise Saul, at Bailey's Bridge Studio, San Antonio.

Members present:

Ed Rawlinson	Sherry Di Baggio
Helen McCrae	Roxanna Tom
Roger Boeka	Becky Mosely
Rita DeHoyes	

Guest: Ira Hassel

The Minutes of the June 13, 2006 were reviewed. After the names of Becky Mosely and Beverly Santos were corrected, the minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Ed Rawlinson submitted a report for the board members' review. As of August 8, 2006 the checking account had a balance of \$606.82; the Savings Account had a balance of \$270.80; the CD's totaled \$97,122.37. The Unit Funds total \$94,999.99; this total reflects a deduction of \$3000 for a short-term loan.

Ed reported that some CD's will mature the end of August. Roxanna moved that the Treasurer use his judgment in re-investing the CD's. Roger seconded that motion. Motion was approved.

Committee Reports

Membership

Ed advised that he will contact ACBL to get an up-to-date membership list. .

Tournaments & Unit Games

Election Sectional -- Sherry reported that she contacted Northern Hills about holding the 2007 Election Sectional. They advised that the cost would be the same as 2006, \$2600. If a larger room was needed the cost would be \$1000 more; although if the room was not rented to anyone else, we could use the larger room for \$2600.

Unit Game (Annual Meeting) – Sherry recommended that the Unit hire a crew to move the tables & chairs from the storage truck into St. Matthew's hall on August 26, 2006. The crew would also set up the tables & chairs and after the game load the truck back up. After some discussion, a motion was made by Sherry and seconded by Becky to hire a crew for \$100. Motion was approved. Sherry and Becky will work together on getting a crew.

Paula Warren will read last year's annual meeting minutes. Ed to give Treasurer's report. Ed recommended that the Unit continue to pay for Unit games. He made a motion that the Unit also pay for GNT and NAOP games. Motion was seconded by Sherry. After some discussion; motion was passed.

Education – Helen reported that she contacted St. Mary's Hall and they showed no interest at this time. Janise reported that there is continued communications with this retirement community about giving bridge lessons to retirees. Hill Country Retreat is still in the process of being finished. Communications will continue on the possibility teaching bridge in this community. Ed Rawlinson and Everette Lewis would do the teaching.

Janise advised that Ed Rawlinson, Bill Walker and Donna Watkins will be teaching bridge lessons on Thursday's at Bailey's at 3:30 p.m. First class was held on August 3 with an attendance of approximately 40 persons. She thanked them for their dedication to further the education of the bridge members.

Becky reported that she started teaching on August 7 at Incarnate Word.

Charity – Roger reported that the ACBL Charity Foundation, San Antonio Low Vision Club, will receive \$1548.00. These funds were the 2005 charity games' contributions.

District Report – Ira advised that this Unit is on the bottom for growth. Houston and Dallas are experiencing a growth spurt. He encouraged the unit to have Donna Compton come to speak in San Antonio on ideas for increasing the bridge membership.

Old Business

Nominating committee – Everette Lewis, Cissy Horton, and Sheryleen Grothus – submitted the slate:

- Brown, Phil
- Laird, Kay
- Mitchell, David
- Mosely, Becky
- Pritchard, Pat
- Taquino, Judy
- Thorne, Peter
- Wissman, Paula
- Villastrigo, Andy

Nominations will also be received from the floor.

Calling committee – Sherry to recruit people to help make calls to encourage bridge players with less than 300 master points to attend unit games.

Caddy Master – Janise reported that Everette Lewis will be the caddy master.

New Business

World Wide Game – Ed reported that the next game will be held June 1 & 2, 2007. Information regarding this game can be acquired on ecatsbridge.com. We would like to have this game run in San Antonio next year.

Greg Hinze – Motion was made by Helen and seconded by Rite to give Greg \$300 to help for his trip to the GNT in Hawaii. After some discussion, motion was passed.

Goodwill Member of the Year – Becky made a motion that Ed Rawlinson be nominated to the Goodwill Member of the Year. Motion was seconded by Sherry and was unanimously passed. Janise will send a letter to ACBL nominating Ed.

Other New Business

Roxanna advised that a schedule should be made up for next year's unit games. She said we should get a schedule for any Sectional games that Andy Bailey will hold in 2007. She commented that the tournaments are already planned up to 2009. In December of this year the planning should start for tournaments being held in 2010. She added that the next Winning Finesse will be out by October 15, 2006. The mailing list for the Winning Finesse needs to be updated so duplicates are not mail to the same address.

Janise advised that Sally Parker is going through chemo therapy and Paula Warren recently broke her arm.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 12, 2006 at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Becky Mosely