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172 Minutes of the Meeting September 21, 2015

Present: Rebecca Brown Steve Hoffman

Ed Rawlinson Roxana Tom Steve

Debbie Schweiss Simpson Roxie Tom

Gale Jan Wingate

Absent: Kathy Sinkin-Amor

Laurie Levin Judy Hoffman Guests:

Jay Thorne Penny Smith

1. The meeting was called to order at 3:44 by Rebecca Brown, chair.

- 2. Debbie made a motion with a second from Steve S. and the minutes were approved.
- Roxie said not all the New Braunfels expenses have come in yet but she estimates a \$1756.00 profit. This year there were 266 tables versus 263 1/2 last year.
- An Intermediate/Newcomer newsletter featuring San Antonio has been posted online after collaboration between Debbie and Paul Cuneo.
- Luau: There were many complaints about the Luau held at St. Francis....noise, accessibility, and the most vocalized...late start time. There were 30 tables at the Luau so table count is down from the previous two years. Ed made a motion with a second from Steve H. to move the game times back to 11:30 for snacks/desserts and 12:30 game time. Motion passed.
- Holiday Party: Northside Learning Center, Howsman Elementary and Coker Methodist Church were considered but will not be suitable for our party. Ed made a motion with a second from Debbie to hold this year's party and future parties at our local clubs. Motion passed. This year's party will be held at the Fiesta Bridge Club.
- STAC: We combined with Austin and Temple and the STAC will be December 7-13. ACBL will appoint a director. Ed made a motion with a second from Roxana to remove the current 5 table limit. Motion passed.
- Clubs need to agree if they wish to have sanctioned games held at the same time within a 25 mile radius. Laurie said she will stay with the current Monday and Thursday evening games.
- 9. NAP: The October 24, 2015 game to be held at Fiesta at 10:00 am was approved awhile back. The Beaumont Regional will take place at the same time and Tom Marsh cannot direct. Steve S. volunteered to post the conflict online Page 1

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and find a director. Austin NAP will take place October 17, 2015 and those that cannot attend our NAP game have an alternate place to qualify.

10. District 16 meeting: This was held September 5, 2015 in Fort Worth, Texas. Unit 172 will be reimbursed \$468.00 for the TAP courses we

provided at our Regional. The district has purchased 2 servers and 30 new bridge pads.

Scott Humphries has these and they are available for our use. The Alternative Director election results will be available mid October. The Bridge For a Day course can license 5 persons.

- Rebecca passed around 2 forms for our local clubs to use to address infractions. They are: Behavior Violation and Player Memo.
- 12. Steve S. has posted the dates to vote for our upcoming elections, along with the candidates bio's, on our website.
- 13. 2016 Unit Game Dates:

GNT: February 13th Awards Day: May 14th

(BCSA) Pro-Am Swiss: July 9th NAP finals: October 1st Luau: August 20th (Fiesta)

M/M: November 19th

Holiday Party: December 10th (BCSA) Pro-Am Pairs: June 11th (Fiesta) ****BCSA- Bridge Club San Antonio, M/M-Mentor/Menthe

14. Steve H. said there is approximately 285,000 miles on the truck used for drayage. Cross has volunteered to have a mechanic look

at it and make any necessary repairs. The Board wishes to thank and acknowledge Doug so Beth said she will pick up a \$150.00 gift certificate to Meson Restaurant for him.

- Jay said he needs to step down from drayage and has volunteered to consult with whomever needs help with this. The Board appreciates ALL of Jay's hard work and efforts.
- 16. Jan has volunteered to update our manuals after the Election Sectional and give newly elected Board members their manuals.
- 17. Ed said ACBL strongly encourages Disciplinary Committee meetings be recorded so Steve H. suggested the Board spend \$50.00 + or for a device to record these.
- 18. The meeting adjourned at 5:20 pm

Beth Gale Secretary