Unit 172 Board of Directors Meeting

September 12, 2016

Present: Rebecca Brown Steve Hoffman Debbie Schweiss Derry Harrington Kathy Sinkin Amor Kathy Sinkin Amor Ed Rawlinson Jan Wingate Hank Eng Beth Gale

Absent: None

Guests: Laurie Levin Judy Hoffman

1. The meeting was called to order at 2:57 by Rebecca Brown, chair.

2. 2 corrections on the previous month's minutes were addressed. Roxie will work with Laurie on LBIAD. For levels B and C, GNT's have qualifying games. With these two changes, Debbie made a motion with a second from Steve and the minutes from July 25, 2016 were approved.

3. Roxie passed out the Treasurer's Report and stated all of the hospitality bills from New Braunfels tournament are not in yet. Rebecca said there was damage to the parquet

flooring in the civic center and the civic center is asking the Unit to pay for the repairs.

4. Kathy reported there are 4 new members in our unit and 3 transfers into our Unit. Kathy had spoken with Beverly Santos who volunteered to follow up and call new members.

5. Unit Games: There were 30 tables at the Luau hosted by Rebecca and Ed on August 27, 2016.

6. Unit Sectionals: New Braunfels: There were complaints of the \$30.00 cost with only mediocre food. The Board will review Sunday's meal for next year's tournament. There

were good comments on the Bracketed Swiss. Hank said he will bring point count data to the Board on the teams as there was a small field for A and A/X.

Election Sectional: The Board discussed having voting ballots available on October 12, October 15, October 17 and final day of voting on October 29, 2016. (Voting in New Braunfels will

be October 18 and voting in Kerrville will be October 24, 2016.)

7. NLMR: The majority of attendees enjoyed the tournament but there was dissatisfaction with the lighting, acoustics in the Peacock room, food provided by Northern Hills

Country Club and the limited gold point amounts that could be awarded, which are set by ACBL. The Board discussed holding this type tournament every year but decided on odd

years, the Unit would be hosting 2 Regionals and this might be too many. Rebecca will talk to the Austin rep to see if they would like to alternate years with us for a NLMR as we do

for the Regional.

8. The District 16 meeting was held in Richardson and Rebecca attended. She informed the Board that ACBL will charge more for 5 and 6 member teams for those who get 100%

of the award points. Our District is not implementing this extra charge. Dan Morse retired so Paul Cuneo will fill the balance of Dan's term.

9. Laurie told the Board she did go to Oklahoma to attend a seminar for LBIAD. Having hosted a previous class, the teacher reported 13 tables with a \$30.00 per person cost.

The classes were advertised in newspapers and malls. She also suggested people sign up for 10 more lessons including 4 free lessons. Table monitors are vital for the class to be

a success. Laurie would like to hold a LBIAD class during the Regional. The Board agreed to discuss this further. Several Board members agreed to be table monitors. The yearly

license for LBIAD runs from July to July as reported by Rebecca.

10. Ed made a motion with a second from Jerry to ratify Rebecca's election, voted upon through email by the Board members, to represent our Unit to the District as Ira has resigned. Motion

passes.

11. The Board discussed hosting Director Refresher Courses and a TAP course during the Regional. ACBL will help defray the cost.

12. Currently there are 18 Mentors. Not all have signed up for the Mentor/Mentee game to be held November 19, 2016. There will also be a regular pair game that day as well.

13. The next Board meeting will be held October 3, 2016 at Fiesta Bridge Club at 3:00 pm. In November, the meeting will be held on the 14th at Fiesta at 3:00.

14. The meeting adjourned at 4:33 pm.

Beth Gale

Secretary