

Present:	Rebecca Brown	Jerry Harrington	Geneva
	Johnson		
	Beth Gale	Ed Rawlinson	
Lew Spurlock	Hank Eng	Lynn Pierson	
Kathy Sinkin-Amor	Deb Schweiss	Rich Lampman	
Guests:	Laurie Levin	Kim Carpenter (40 minutes)	Judy Hoffman
	Steve Hoffman		

1. The meeting was called to order at 3:01 pm by Rebecca Brown, chair.
2. With a motion from Lew and a second from Deb, the minutes of the January 15, 2018 meeting were approved.
3. Treasurer Reports were handed out by Geneva. She also passed out Check Request forms. Fidelity had changed monthly statements mailings to quarterly statements, but Geneva requested monthly statements.
4. Steve Hoffman reported that there has been a 56% gain overall in the unit stock portfolio with a year over year gain of 13.3% as of November 30, 2017. Steve chose Value Line for the recommendations of which stocks to buy and he reviews the stocks every couple of months. Dividends produce approximately \$2200.00 yearly and are reinvested.
5. Kathy said there are 3 new members and 1 transfer into our unit.
6. NAPS/WINTER SECTIONAL: NAP table count was 157 which is down from the previous 186. There is a loss of \$2380.10 due to high rental at the Omni. Ed volunteered to look at other places for 2020. Rebecca will give Ed her folder with previous research on alternative playing sites. Unit member Janina Kuzma asked for monetary help to go to Philadelphia. Our ByLaws allow this, so Janina will get her \$100.00 check when she returns from Philadelphia as well as her partner.
7. GNT: Houston will hold qualifying games starting May 4, 2018 for B flight and C flight begins May 5, 2018. Laurie noted there were 3 tables in GNT that played in January and 2 qualified. Another GNT qualifying game will be held February 24, 2018. Cost will be \$10.00 per person for both sessions with lunch included. With a motion from Rich and a second from Beth the board voted to have an open pairs special game for A, B, and C strats benefiting the Junior Fund for \$5.00 and no lunch.
8. Ed commented the unit is allowed 24 sanctions per year and there are only 4 left. Laurie would like to use these for her Wednesday night Swiss games.
9. Laurie requested appetizers and desserts for the upcoming March tournament.
10. KERRVILLE: There has been negative feedback on the 2 session pair game scheduled.
11. Hank will get in touch with Roxie to get the format of the old directory. As the board members are calling people in the directory that seldom play or don't play, we will see if there are any changes in addresses, phone numbers or email addresses.
12. NON LIFE MASTER: Rich Lampman will scheduled the speakers at 2:30 and Hank will provide the Daily

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Bulletin. Deb will ask Steve Simpson a price to have TournaVision. There is a food and beverage cost only at the Omni but no room rental.

13. Lew said Diane Olson analyzed hands after the Monday game and George Fillis will speak after the upcoming Monday game and Jerry Harrington is scheduled for the following Monday. Lew noted that mostly C's attended the analysis but there were some B players as well.

14. Cathy Rauschuber wants to donate her husband's books to honor him (Wayne Rauschuber) to the unit library that is being set up for all unit members.

15. District 16 elections are as follows: Rebecca Brown, President; Nancy Strohmer, 1st Vice President; Dan Leightman, 2nd Vice President, Tommi Storey, Executive Secretary; Dan Lightman, Executive Treasurer; along with Ed Rawlinson as Education Committee Chair, Roxie Tom continues as NAP Coordinator. The District would like to send a digital link for the Scorecard to accommodate those that wish to read it online. There is talk of revisions for the Texas Star and Jacoby Awards. There is a new unit in San Miguel de Allende.

16. Mentor/Mentee: Lynn said there are now 21 Mentees and she needs 2 more Mentors. Kathy volunteered to take one Mentee and Lynn will check with Steve Simpson to see who he would recommend for the other Mentee.

17. Lew suggested there be an informal budget for income and expenses. He will put together some figures for the next meeting.

18. Rebecca will ask Tom Trudeau if he will conduct an audit for 2017.

19. The next meeting will be March 12, 2018 at 3:00 pm at Fiesta.

20. The meeting adjourned at 4:42 pm.

Beth Gale
Secretary