

Board of directors Meeting
May 21, 2018

Present: Rebecca Brown Jerry Harrington Kathy Sinkin-Amor
Lew Spurlock Ed Rawlinson Debbie Schweiss
Lynn Pierson Rich Lampman Geneva Johnson
Beth Gale

Absent: Hank Eng-arrived after the meeting concluded

Guests: Laurie Levin Judy Hoffman

1. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 by Rebeca Brown, chair.
2. With a motion from Debbie Schweiss and a second from Jerry Harrington, the minutes of the April 9, 2018 minutes were approved.
3. Geneva passed out the Treasurer's Reports to each board member in attendance.
4. Kathy Sinkin-Amor reported that the unit had 6 new members and 3 transfers into the unit.
5. Lew Spurlock stated he asks speakers 2 to 3 weeks in advance to cover hand analysis every Monday and typically there are 5-10 people that attend. He will advise either Rebecca Brown or Jerry Harrington if he will not be playing bridge on any given Monday. Ed Rawlinson mentioned that the last Tuesday in July and the first three Tuesdays in August, he will hold supervised play.
6. Rebecca Brown reported the GNT participation in 2018 increased to 39 from the 2017 participation of 32, with the B and C groups increasing. The winners are posted on our District website.
7. Awards Day had 22 tables in attendance.
8. The two session Stratified Swiss to be held on June 16, 2018 has 10 teams signed up, to date, per Lew Spurlock. Tom Marsh will direct. Rich Lampman, Ed Rawlinson, or Lew Spurlock will let Debbie Schweiss know if any caddies will be needed as she is the new Caddy Master.
9. Rebecca Brown volunteered to call Everette Lewis to get a current list of caddies. Any person that has a son, daughter or grandchild that wishes to caddy is encouraged to call Debbie Schweiss with their contact information.
10. Beth Gale had spoken with Jana Ybarra at Inn of the Hills in Kerrville and reserved May 2-5, 2019 for next years tournament.
11. Laurie Levin said each person that plays every session in the upcoming Summer Sectional to be held at Fiesta will receive \$5.00 off Sunday Swiss.
12. Debbie Schweiss has contracted with Steve Simpson to provide Tournavision at the Non Life Master (NLM) Regional and Hank Eng will provide the daily bulletins. Rich Lampman has arranged speakers every day. Laurie Levin suggested the board consider holding a Stratified Swiss or Silver Rush pairs game along with future Non Life Master Regionals. Discussion then took place to determine if table count for a 499'er pair game would be included in a sectional if there were more than 2 sections. Judy Hoffman will call ACBL to find out if the table count can be Included and if the hands need to be identical.
13. Furthering this discussion, it was noted that Austin is hosting a Sectional along with their Non Life Master Regional this year as there is a cost advantage to hosting both at the same time. Austin had 168 tables

at their 2017 NLM Regional and San Antonio had 504 at our 2016 NLM Regional. There was talk among the board members about the possibility of combining a future NLM Regional with the Kerrville tournament. Rebecca Brown will check with Austin to determine their NLM Regional dates for 2019.

14. Rebecca Brown reported that Hank Eng is still working on the membership directory. Kathy Sinkin-Amor said she has extra copies of the current directory and will bring some extras to Fiesta Bridge Club.

15. The candidates applying for a position on the board are: Jerry Harrington, Jeri Tribo, Karen Fillis, Tom Trudeau, Coleman Driver, and Evelyn Pitman. There are 4 spots that will be available.

16. Ed Rawlinson checked different venues for future Winter Sectionals and reported the Drury Inn at 1604 and 281N has a room with 4,000 square feet and another room with 2,600 square feet. He will call to obtain pricing and to see if we can bring food into the facility.

17. Beth Gale, Ed Rawlinson, and Jerry Harrington will serve as a committee to further revamp the duties of hosts for Unit games and Sectionals.

18. The next board meeting will be June 11, 2018 3:00 pm at Fiesta Bridge Club. There will be discussion at this meeting to determine if the board will meet July 9, 2018 or July 16, 2018. There will be NO board meeting in August.

19. The meeting adjourned at 3:56 pm.

Beth Gale
Secretary