

## **ADBC BOARD MINUTES OCTOBER 1, 2018**

President Steve Kornegay called the meeting to order at 4:05pm, October 1, 2018, with Sue Gilbreath, Melody Gann, Mickey Tryon, Dorothy Moore, Helen Nelson and Theresa Brantley present.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**SPECIAL EVENT MEALS:** Helen reports that volunteers have been very helpful—particularly Melanie Gibson who doesn't even play and Dorothy Moore for the Friday night dinners. If she can't find a volunteer, she usually manages herself or finds someone to pick up pizza. Steve suggested having tacos. Since they are one of Dorothy's specialties, she will soon prepare tacos for Friday evening. For Swiss events, the whole meal is usually provided with sign-up requested so the right amount of food is ready.

**PARTIES:** Sue reports the Life Master party for Joyce Anderson and Mary Ellen Little is set for Oct. 10, Wednesday afternoon. Mickey Tryon's third last birthday party is Oct. 19, Friday evening. Sue is working on setting dates for Sam Long's Gold Life Master party (Dee Berg suggests scheduling before his surgery at the end of October), Carol Segreti's Life Master party, Anne Ward Williams' Life Master party and Mildred Walker's 95<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party.

**ADBC SECTIONAL @ GRAPEVINE (6-21 to 6-23, 2019):** Sue checked with coordinator at Grapevine Convention Center that we can enter at 8am to set up. Therefore, we are planning for two events at 10am and 3pm Friday and Saturday. Further we decided to schedule time between the Sunday Swiss sessions for teams to enjoy some of the many fine dining opportunities available in Grapevine rather than endure the expensive hassle of providing a meal between sessions. (Options from the GCC ranged from \$12.50 for a hot dog to \$15.50 for Barbecue.) Sue will also check if there any convention center charges for us to bring our own water and coffee. The masterpoint limits were discussed, and we decided to look at what other area tournaments are using before setting.

**DIRECTOR ISSUES:** Dorothy reports that all directors except Karen Caton (on vacation) were present for the September 19 meeting which went well and was productive. All agreed it's important to start on time. They agreed to make it a priority to see that contact forms are filled in by new players. To build games, it was suggested that each game have a host or hostess to welcome players and make the games more hospitable. Also, game directors need to arrive at least 30 minutes early to have the game ready to start on time with refreshments available. Dorothy also requested that directors let her know when they find a sub for their game (which she greatly appreciates) but she needs to know who's scheduled in case of a problem.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Theresa reports receiving some positive comments on emails sent to inform of upcoming events. Jacque Montgomery has been very helpful in obtaining and including info for pianola the Unit 183 flyer for providing info. However, several on the board reported they had not received these emails. Also, no one received info on the workshop with Robert Todd held recently at the Unit 183 studio until after it had occurred. Theresa will check with Jacque Montgomery for pianola problems, and Mickey will research with the Unit 183 Board why more were not informed of the workshop. Email blasts from ADBC will continue to be sent twice monthly to keep members informed; flyers will be sent for parties and special games and posted at the club and on the web.

DECORATIONS: Kim Newman has removed the patriotic decorations and will have fall décor up shortly. She has been inundated with requirements at work that have interfered with her creative plans that we know will be fun! Many positive comments have been received on her efforts.

FINANCE REPORT: Mickey will have a detailed financial report by the next meeting. He is working on a new format. He does report we're solvent with around \$50000 in the bank.

PARTNERSHIPS: Theresa reports progress. Kim Newman is working on transportation issues for members who don't drive at night or need a ride. Mary Ellen is willing to find partners but needs a convenient access to player info—perhaps a link on our website (there is a link to District 16) or on the ADBC facebook page to both find masterpoint info and post info and requests.

PRINTER ISSUES: All printers are currently working--thanks to Kim and Jeff Newman!

CLUB DIRECTORY: Mary Ellen agreed to key in the data. It may be professionally printed if cost not prohibitive. One cost estimate is \$.035 per page per side. Otherwise, we may use the new printers. Steve would like for all members to be given one copy but pay for additional copies if they want more than one. Perhaps they can be given with the ADBC yearly membership purchase if ready by end of November.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

NLM TOURNAMENTS: One is scheduled for Jan. 19-20, 2019. The one requested for September was denied by Scott Humphrey because it was during the Beaumont Regional. (ACBL requires no conflicts with sectionals in the same district as a regional.)

SUNDAY LESSONS FOR NEW PLAYERS: Dorothy reports 4 attended the first lesson and 10 the second. Others may continue to join. After the last lesson and culmination game in December, Dorothy will consult with the participants to choose whether to continue with

- 1) lessons or
- 2) games with a mini-lesson preceding.

CALENDAR: October is Jane Johnson Club Appreciation Month allowing clubs to hold one club appreciation pairs event per sanction and one club appreciation swiss per sanction with no upcharges. These provide significantly more masterpoints than ACBL fund games, and the Swiss even provide a small amount of gold. Therefore, ADBC is all in for a very busy October with many more team games than usual and at all levels. Also District 16 has added some district wide fund-raising games October 18, 19, 22 and 23. These games will provide \$5 per table to a charity chosen by each unit for the games on Oct. 19 and 23 and to the District 16 Grass Roots Fund on Oct. 18 and 22. There was discussion on whether to charge \$1 more for these games or the regular amount since they are for charity and grass roots but not the normal charity or grass roots fund games held. Steve said he would send a ballot by email for board directors to vote how this would be handled. Two special ACBL-wide games are scheduled:

**October 5: ACBL SENIOR PAIRS Friday morning at 10:15am**

**October 31: ACBL INSTANT MATCHPOINT #2 at 12:30 pm, Wednesday afternoon**

Melody also presented drafts for the November and December calendars. In November, ADBC will be closed Nov. 2-4 for the Richardson Sectional and Nov. 22 for Thanksgiving. ADBC hosts a Unit Championship Nov. 10, Sat. afternoon, where veterans play free. An entrée will be provided at noon with potluck sides and desserts brought by players. Several charity and club championships are scheduled. The ADBC November calendar is posted online and available at the club.

December will be another busy month:

- **Dec. 8, Sat. afternoon: ADBC Christmas Party at noon followed by a Unit Championship @1pm**
- **Dec. 10-16: STaC Week (All games are STaC ending with a STaC Swiss Sun. @ 1:45pm)**
- ADBC closed Dec.24-25
- **Dec. 31, 8pm, Mon. evening: New Year's Eve Party and Unit Championship Game**

**Several membership games are scheduled for December. These games provide an opportunity for extra masterpoints, but only pairs where both partners are members of ACBL can earn points.**

Consequently, the game directors are allowed leeway to reschedule if there are participants who are not ACBL members. This calendar is also posted on the ADBC website, and copies will be available at the club in Nov.

GOOGLE DRIVE AUTHORIZATIONS: Dorothy Moore has presented the problem to Tom Moore, our computer guru, but hasn't heard from him.

NLM REACH: The nlm REACH mentioned in the October ACBL bulletin has been cancelled.

CAM INVOICE: The \$1735 bill from the Fielder Plaza landlord for additional triple net costs has been paid, and if any of the taxes are refunded after an appeal by the landlord, our share will be returned to us.

### **FUTURE BUSINESS**

FREE PLAY AWARDS: The financial impact of the more liberal awarding of free plays will be studied after the first of next year.

POTLUCK/ENTRÉE PROVIDED/UPCHARGE: Further study will be done after financial report and review.

SUNDAY GAMES: Scheduling and format will be studied after end of year.

The meeting adjourned at 6:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Melody Gann, Secretary