

MINUTES ADBC BOARD MEETING DECEMBER 5, 2018

President Steve Kornegay called the meeting to order at 4:15pm. Sue Gilbreath, Melody Gann, Dorothy Moore, Theresa Brantley (who left at 6:05) and Helen Nelson were present. Mickey Tryon was absent. Guest via telephone conference was Scott Humphrey to discuss the masterpoint limits for events at the ADBC Sectional in Grapevine June 21-23, 2019.

OLD BUSINESS

ADBC SECTIONAL: With Scott on the phone, strats for the June ADBC Sectional were discussed. He recommended, and the board approved:

Pair events be stratified by pair average as follows:

- Open Prs: A: 4000+ B: 1500+ to 4000; C: 0-1500:
- 499er Prs: A: 300-499; B: 100-299; C: 0-99.

For strati-flighted Swiss, use team average with A and AX playing together:

- Flight A: Teams with any player over 4000 mp
- Flight AX: Teams with all players under 4000 mp.

For Bracketed Swiss (Use team average; B, C, D play together; no player over 3000):

B: 3000 is max avg; C: 1500 is max avg; D: 500 is max avg.

PARTIES: Sue has some surprises set for the Christmas Party, Dec. 8 and the New Year's Eve Party Dec. 31 at 8pm. Both are Unit Champ Prs games. Dorothy still needs a director for New Year's Eve.

DIRECTOR ISSUES: Currently, main issue is needing more directors. Also, Dorothy needs to have directors announce that players need to put trash in garbage cans NOT recycle containers.

Dorothy and Tom will run the 499er NLM Jan 19-20, 2019. Dorothy is investigating limits for her Tue. pm game and specifics for continuing the Sun. beginning bridge series.

COMMUNICATIONS: The mailers are working well. Theresa has been unable to access posters on the google drive. Dorothy will help with this.

DECORATIONS: Kim Newman (with help from her family) has done "over the top" decorations for the holiday season. We are so pleased with the outstanding work she has accomplished.

PARTNERSHIPS: Theresa's committee (Bob Dixon, Kim Newman, Mary Ellen Stanton) is doing an excellent job finding partners. Their next step is trying to help those who need a ride either temporarily or long-term. Theresa will send a mailer asking for people to sign up if they need transportation or if they are willing to provide transportation. The committee will then try to coordinate the responses.

NEW BUSINESS

CARPET CLEANING: Steve will schedule; it was last done in June.

CALENDAR: Only change to Dec. calendar is suspension by Dorothy of Tue. pm limited game until the new year. The calendar is posted online and at the club.

January is ACBL Junior Fund Month; all club games will be extra point Jr. Fund games. We will be closed for the Richardson Tournament Jan. 11-13. The ADBC NLM 499er tournament is

- Jan. 19, Sat. with prs. sessions at 10am and 3pm.
- Jan. 20, Sun. with Swiss sessions 10am and 2pm.

We will have Jr. Fund Swiss Team Event Sun. Jan. 27 at 2pm. Dessert provided; bring snacks.

Some special games coming in February:

- Sat. Feb. 2: ACBL WIDE INTERNATIONAL FUND GAME at 1pm with entrée at noon
- Mon. Feb. 18: ACBL WIDE GRASS ROOTS all day
- Tue. Feb. 19: DISTRICT 16 FUND GAME all day
- Wed. Feb. 20: ACBL WIDE CHARITY GAME, Wed. afternoon
- Thur. Feb. 21: ACBL WIDE GRASS ROOTS, all sessions.

ADBC will close Feb. 15-17 for the Fort Worth Sectional. The Wed. pm mentor games will be February 13 and 27.

Looking ahead, the ADBC membership meeting and game will need to be Sat. March 16.

GOOGLE DRIVE AUTHORIZATIONS: Tom Moore is working on this. It is a complicated process where he needs to un-authorize all and then authorize those currently needing access. He will aim for the middle of Jan by the next board meeting so as not to interfere with current needs.

FINANCIAL CONCERNS: Though Mickey was absent, he sent the financial report which shows that revenue is down by about \$4100 from last year. Consequently, we are looking for ways to increase revenue. October this year was the highest table count for all year so far and for October the last several years. We will plan more team games for 2019 (since that seems to be the significant difference for attendance.)

Other thoughts included increasing fees for membership dues, games where food provided, those who don't bring food and those who aren't members; reduce # of free plays for 2-4 table games, an expiration date for free play, and award free plays to members only.

We went through the ADBC POLICIES, APPENDIX A to our By-Laws and decided to clarify and modify some of them.

Section 2.01 gives three free plays with paid membership dues. At \$8 a game, we are only making \$1 from a \$25 membership. So, starting 2019, only the annual membership game will be free to members.

Section 2.02 is not changed for honoring a member. However, to clarify: only the honoree plays free, not the partner. (Dorothy will add this to list of director reminders)

Section 3 states the board may include expiration date on free play. We will implement this procedure effective Jan. 1, 2019 by adding statement that free play expires 1 year from date issued.

Section 3.01 will be modified to say that a new player will be given the choice of a free play for a future game OR a club directory—player's choice.

Section 3.04 will be modified to state that the winning pair in a Howell Movement will be awarded free plays when there are at least three full paying tables (12 paying pairs.) In the event of a tie, the winners will share the one set of free plays. Similarly, in a Mitchell movement with fewer than ten full paying tables, the pair with the highest score will earn free plays; in case of ties, free plays will be shared. If there are ten full paying tables, the winning pairs in both directions will earn free plays which will be shared in case of ties.

Section 4.03 is unchanged, but Dorothy will review the policy with directors. If a person comes to play, and a partner is found who is not eligible for that game, the person still pays to play—only the guaranteed partner plays free (except when someone comes without a partner on more than an exceptional basis: then that person pays for the partner who comes to play.)

In addition to these revenue increasing modifications and clarifications, the board voted to charge \$8 for all games where the masterpoint limit is above 299 (plus any upcharges currently charged for special games.)

Respectfully submitted,

Melody Gann, Secretary, ADBC