



District 16 Unit 207

Secretary's Report

August 13, 2003

Board Members Present: Chris Hull, Mary Anne Laier, Mark McAllister, Diana Rogers, Clint Schuhmacher, Jenny Stocker and Jim Wueste.

Chairmen Present: Kathy McCabe and Kevin Perkins.

The meeting was called to order at 3:15 by President, Mary Anne Laier.

Secretary's Report: July's report was accepted by the board.

Treasurer's Report: The board approved the report. Clint mentioned that there was some missing data on the latest IMP game and that the unit made money on the NLM Sectional.

Officer's Reports: **Membership Report:** Mark announced that 17 letters were sent to new or transferred members. Chris suggested that more directories were needed for new members. It was decided that the secretary would make 10 copies presently and more later if needed.

Business Manager: Jim handed out the new 2003 schedule eliminating the Dell Center as a possible location for the October 28th Halloween Party. He also proposed the schedule for 2004 having compared all the dates with possible conflicts with UT sports games, holidays, other Texas bridge tournaments, etc.: a monumental job. The board voted unanimously to keep the NLM Tournament as scheduled for November 22-23, 2003 despite the fact that the date clashes with a UT football game. Jim also said that although we have 12 dates scheduled, we can have 15 and that we have time in January and February to schedule more if needed.

Proposals for the Goodwill Member and other awards have been made.

Diana Rogers "volunteered" to chair the September 2004 Sectional.

Hospitality: A unanimous vote was cast to have cake and ice cream at the Ice Cream Social on August 16th since it is also a going-away party for Lois Smith, who is leaving Austin for Tennessee. We shall all miss her.

Chris and Mark, chairmen of the September Sectional, have completely organized the refreshments for this tournament.

Publicity: Mark has sent out the flyers for the September Sectional.

Old Business:

Mentor Program:

The program has been a great success since Kathy is getting many requests for more mentors. Also, people are interested in bridge lessons. Rosemary's summer lessons for advanced players have been successful and Kevin has a flyer out for novice programs which begins soon.

Christmas Party:

The party will be held at the Senior Activity Center on December 12th. Reservations will be required and the cut-off date will be one week prior which will be December 7th. The price will be \$12 for 2 sessions of bridge and a wonderful dinner by Mike Stout. The cost will be \$18 after December 7th and/or at the door. The board voted unanimously to have the unit subsidize the cost of this wonderful event.

Guaranteed Partnership:

The following board members have signed up for the following Wednesdays:

August 13:	Jim Wueste
August 20:	Tony Eckman
August 27:	Mozelle Carr
Sept. 3:	Jenny Stocker
Sept. 10:	Mary Anne Laier

New Business:

The Dell Center:

Kevin announced that the Dell Center is canceling our two bridge games on Thursday and Sunday by the end of August. Presently, he has rescheduled for September only at the Northwest Recreational Center. Later dates are yet to be confirmed.

The ABA:

The ABA (American Bridge Association) is having a bridge tournament on August 22-24, 2003 and has invited ACBL members to join them. They also play regular games at the Senior Activity Center on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month and are contemplating having the games every Tuesday.

Jim said that the ABA has requested to borrow 14 tables for their August tournament. The board approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Diana Rogers Secretary