

MINUTES OF ACBL UNIT 172 BOARD OF DIRECTORS
February 10, 2004

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by President Roxanna Tom at Bailey's Bridge Studio.

Members present: Jo Grabow, Phyllis Giffin, Everette Lewis, Helen McCrae, Sally Parker, Ed Rawlinson, Janise Saul, Roxana Tom and Jacque Tucker.

Minutes of the January 13, 2004 meeting were approved as corrected.

An attached Treasurers Report was submitted by Ed Rawlinson.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Membership: Everette Lewis passed out the current ACBL Unit 172 Report showing a membership of 700 and the Ace of Clubs and Mini-McKenney standings for 2003. He stated the membership disc is being corrected to be sent to the printer for a new directory.
- B. Tournaments: Roxana said the date for the April 11, 2004 Unit 172 Tournament will be changed because it is Easter Sunday. The Unit 0-99ers overall winners will receive free plays for another Unit game. Jo Grabow will make the certificates to be used for the free plays. Janise Saul reported on the following tournaments: January sectional – attendance was down by 30 tables and she experienced poor communication with the Airport Hilton Hotel; Kerrville sectional - Margaret Higgins will be out of town during this tournament and Janise will be the coordinator; Summer sectional – a motion was made, seconded, and passed to hold this tournament at the Woodlake Golf Club.
- C. Unit Tournaments and Special Events: The Valentine Charity Championship held February 7, 2004 at the Alamo Bridge Studio was a big success due to the gracious handling of the 40 table event by director Tom Marsh and the patience of the players present. The profit was approximately \$230. GNT was held at the Alamo Bridge Studio and directed by Rich Lampman. Twelve tables of B and C players were hosted to sandwiches and desserts by Ed Rawlinson and Sally Parker. March Madness is to be hosted by Janise Saul and Roger Boeka.
Jo Grabow passed around a sample of the Newcomer packet which is mailed and followed by a telephone call follow up. This system is working well.
- D. Education: Helen McCrae reported 8 students from Keystone School are attending "A Taste of Bridge" and Nancy Fisher rotates with her in attending these sessions.

- E. Winning Finesse: Assignments for the March issue were passed out by Jacque Tucker. Copy needs to be sent to David Hadden by February 20, 2004.

OLD BUSINESS

Senior Olympics deadline is February 20. The entry fee is \$20. Janise Saul volunteered to make posters for the Clubs.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Roxana Tom passed out the attached list of Unit 172 Appointments for 2004.
- B. A discussion concerning the overcrowding at unit events followed. The last two years have seen the first game of the year with 39 and 40 tables. This is the best attended Unit game for 0-99ers. Board members are asked to look for other accommodations for Unit events with rent within our budget.
- C. Directory – see membership report.
- D. STAC for Unit 172: A motion was made, seconded, and passed with one abstention to hold these games
October 25 – 31, 2004.
- E. June Sectional StrataFlighted point ranges to be determined by the director. A motion was made, seconded and passed that we check with ACBL if it is acceptable to go with it that way (determined by the director) when it has been advertised differently.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Phyllis Giffin
Secretary