

Unit 172 Board Meeting Minutes  
August 12, 2008  
Turtle Creek Duplicate Bridge Club

**Call to Order** at 5:05 PM by Ed Rawlinson

**Members Present:** Ed Rawlinson, Becky Mosely, Linda Lawrence, David Mitchell, Kay Laird, Pat Prichard, Helen McCrae, Olivia Brown, Paula Wissman

**Members Absent:** Jay Thorne, Sherry Johnson

**Guests:** Everette Lewis

**Minutes:** Approved with edits

**Treasurer's Report:** Approved as published. Becky also discussed changes in bulk mail rates and how we will have to pay for changes.

**Membership Report:**

1. 20 new member packets were mailed in July
2. Net loss of membership due to deaths and moves
3. Some Winning Finesse copies did not get to members. Helen will research mailing list.

**TOURNAMENTS:**

**2010 Winter Sectional/NAOP:** Discussion of pros and cons of the Embassy Suites at Exit 199 Outlet Malls. Ed will check if we can hold the NAOP final qualifier for District 16 in February. Barring that possibility the board agreed to stand by the Embassy Suites site for the Sectional/Qualifier in 2010. (Ed later e-mailed the board members that the qualifier had to be completed in January, so Kay made reservations at the Embassy Suites)

**Unit Games:**

**Luau:** August 13 at Turtle Creek. Plans are on track.

**Unit NAOP Qualifier:** September 27. Plans are on track.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1.** Ed proposed and the board members agreed formal obituaries would be posted on the Unit 172 web site for 3 months.
- 2.** During that 3 month period we will solicit a "Bridge Obituary" and commentary about the deceased player that would be archived indefinitely.
- 3.** Winning Finesse assignments were distributed by Ed

4. Ed asked if we had any nominees for Good Will Member nominees. None now.
5. Election Schedule: tabled
6. David Mitchell asked if there were a possibility of an Open Pairs Side Game on Thursday night in New Braunfels. The board re-iterated its commitment to a team game format for Thursday nights during Unit tournaments.

Adjourn at 5:50 PM