

ACBL Unit 507 Board Meeting Minutes

August 14, 2018, 5:30 pm

In Attendance: Ray Yuenger, Lynn Bartz, Bob Dean, Judy Fisher, Stu Goodgold, Doug Hong, Karen O'Connell, Mischel Postas, Ken Rosenfeld, Anne Bossange

The meeting was called to order. The minutes were reviewed and approved without correction by unanimous consent. The Treasurer's report was received and acknowledged.

New Business:

Competing proposals for Saturday lessons- Stu made a motion to approve Lynn's proposed Saturday class. Mischel seconded it. It passed with unanimous consent.

Holiday Party- Stu made a motion for the party to be held on 11/18 and Ray seconded it. Lynn abstained and all others agreed.

Ray mentioned that Barry Aldaheff suggested that we buy a large monitor to hang on the wall over the new cabinets to show game results. Jack suggested we first get a small monitor to see if the directors can use it before getting a larger monitor. Judy suggested spending the money on bid box table brackets instead.

Judy wants to add to our agenda the need to recruit new directors.

The hallway floors were power washed and water was blasted under the entry door into the club making the carpets dirty. Mischel talked to Tina about cleaning the carpet and she agreed that she would.

The board acknowledged a complaint that some players at the club are unfriendly. It is up to the club directors to regulate their own games.

The board received another complaint about inconsistent posting of game results on the website. Club directors have a choice of how to post results. Bridge Composer is used by Lynn Yokel and Judy twice a month when she doesn't have team games. Doug's last game results used Bridge Composer. Mich's game-posting system is easier to use but the Bridge Composer results are easier to read. Jack will make suggestions to Mich to improve the readability of his results.

Unfinished Business:

Club license agreement- With much discussion of the draft agreement there were proposals to:

Define the Licensor in the introductory paragraph using the definition set forth in paragraph 7,

Move the hour and minutes designation in paragraph 1 under the first line,

Modify paragraph 2 to read the flat fee will be per person not per table,

Delete the third sub-paragraph of paragraph 5 and instead state that the Licensee is not permitted to use any of the electronic equipment without special written permission and training. And the Licensee has no permission to use any food or condiments in the Center's main refrigerator.

Delete the mention of the thermostat in paragraph 6.

Establish a Key Committee consisting of Judy, Mischel and Ray. The Club Representative is defined as a member of the Key Committee. The Key Committee, in addition to providing keys to licensees, will jointly determine who qualifies as a licensee.

These changes will be contained in the revised License and sent to the Board members prior to the September meeting.

New Board Member- Doug agreed to step aside as a voting board member so Mike Hughes can join. This was Doug's last meeting as a voting member.

The Club Chairs- Ray and Lynn spent a lot of time checking and cleaning the chairs. Two were discarded. The work is ongoing and will be complete in about 2 more weeks. Ray will bring a carpet cleaner to use on the carpet and chairs.

By –Laws- Ray will update them on the website

Pianola, Website design- The free trial of Pianola has expired. As the Club Directors want to continue using Pianola, the board will pay for another 6 months as previously agreed. Ray explained that Pianola is like a Swiss Army knife. One feature allows game results delivery. A second allows group emails. A third involves simple website-building tools. Each function can be used independently. For the directors to use the results delivery does not require use of the website building tools. The Palo Alto website redesign cost about \$3,700.00. Ray will obtain a bid from the group that did that redesign. The committee for web design is Ray, Bob, and Lynn.

Sectionals- Del Mar High School is unable to accommodate us for the Spring Sectional on March 16-17, 2018. The Facilitron site showed availability for a room that is unavailable. Ray will go back on Facilitron and see what else is available. Bob will contact Scottish Rite Masonic Temple about availability.

Committee reports: 688 total members, 4 new, 4 transferred in, no one transferred out.

District/National News: There was nothing said at the national board meetings that requires immediate action by the unit.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Bossange and Ray Yuenger