

Minutes for the December board meeting for unit 507 of the ACBL

Attending : Ray Yuenger, Stu Goodgold, Mischel Postas, Erin Gove, Mich Ravera, Mary Steele, Karen O'Connell, Jeff Hack, Rick Jasper, Karen Kulander

Secretary's Report – Accepted as read.

Treasurer's Report – Total assets \$14,094.

Unit Game – The average money that the unit made on team games this year was \$76.00 and the average money we made was \$28.00. This was influenced by free plays given at some pairs games. This month will be a pairs game. Doug will direct. It was suggested that we should have an extra unit game on Sunday every other month. We have been allotted the sanctions for extra unit games by the ACBL and this will use these allotments in a less hurried way. We currently pass out the extra games to the directors at the end of the year.

499 sectional – We are trying to negotiate with the women's club to use their tables. If the cost is prohibitive then we will use Calvin's tables.

District News – A unit sponsored club will have changes regarding disciplinary issues. Since we do not have a unit sponsored club, we will not be affected. Electronic smoking will not be permitted at acbl games. \$440,000 has been allotted to improve scoring software for the directors. A technical writer is needed to describe the various conventions and charts for ACBL members' clarification. This idea will now move on the board of directors.

Membership – 3 transferred out, 8 new members were added, 2 moved, 2 new members transferred in from Palo Alto.

Youth bridge needs volunteers to manage the children.

Mentor program – Lynn agreed to help run the mentor program for next year. We would like to have a unit sponsored pro-am game.

Sectionals – We may wish to increase fees to \$11 per session. We should increase to this level if and when the rent goes up.

NAP qualifier – The attendance was down 10%. We hosted 18 tables. Will's direction was complimented. It started on time and every player played 26 boards. Lynn will take over as NAP coordinator.

A motion is made that the board reaffirms the policy that directors may make verbal announcements about their lessons and travel bridge opportunities during their games. Motion passes.