

Unit 507 Board Meeting January 13, 2015

In attendance, Mich Ravera, Jeff Hack, Linda Nemmer, Stu Goodgold, Mary Steele, Karen O'Connell, Mischel Postas, Ray Yuenger.

Minutes. December minutes approved with corrections on attendance. Ray composed without benefit of Rick's notes.

Financial reports. Accepted with one correction.

National/district reports. Regionals, not sectionals, now authorized to have three stratifications above gold rush pairs.

Committee reports. No new members. 3 transfers in. 4 transfers out. We have plaques to install for latest LMs.

Premises. Parking lot lights are now on at 5. There is no shortage of toilet paper in the women's restroom. New blind on entrance door replaced and longer wand added. Club supplies are all stored at club now in locked cabinets.

Capital improvements. New printer purchased by club owners from donation by Barbara Tiernan. This is third new printer in a year. First one replaced because ink was too expensive.

Naming rights. Jeff has written proposal of examples for selling naming rights to various bridge events. Consensus is to look first to unit members to identify potential sponsors, relatives or businesses, for bridge events. Mary Steele will consider ways to publicize sale of naming rights.

Unit games. Schedule March team unit game to honor new Life Masters. April unit game to honor mini-McKenney and Ace of Clubs winners. We need to publicize unit games to increase attendance. Mischel will obtain sanction numbers for unit games.

Sectionals. Discussion about format of progressive sectional. Stu will look into regulations regarding lowest number of qualifying rounds.

SiVY event. Guest Lynn Bartz explains Silicon Valley Youth Bridge would like to hold a 3-hour event at our club one afternoon in March to facilitate attendance of students in our area. Event offers different options depending on skill level of students. Some compete at duplicate. Others play mini-Bridge. SiVY will provide snacks, set-up and clean-up, and adult monitors. Possible dates March 18, 20, 25. What they need is free use of space. Motion made and unanimously

approved to encourage directors to allow event free of charge. Mary Steele proposed as director since Will Watson will be at nationals. Ray points out directors' bylaws require them to charge for club use if profit-making, but SiVY is nonprofit.

Goodwill nomination. Motion made and approved to recommend Mischel Postas for District 21 goodwill award. Ray will write up recommendation.

Next meeting scheduled for February 3. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted,

Ray Yuenger and Mischel Postas