

Attendees: Linda Nemmer, Jeff Hack, Mich Ravera, Rick Jasper, Mischel Postas, Karen O'Connell, Ray Yuenger, Mary Steele, Stu Goodgold, Judy Fisher

Meeting Minutes for April: Approved with a few corrections.

Financial Reports: Approved

District and National Reports:

- There will be a Youth Championship in Washington, D.C. at the Summer NABC. The details have been set and it's up to Dave Smith to present to the ACBL Board of Directors.
- Stu will be going to the next District board meeting with Ray being the alternate.
- Jim Leucker is the new District 21 president.

Committee Reports:

- Membership: Last month saw 4 members transfer in, 1 member transfer out, and one member pass away. Total membership is 700.
- Premises: We have 2 new fire extinguishers. One will be placed under the sink and the other mounted on the wall on the other side of the room.
- Safety: We are looking into the cost of a CPR class: The American Red Cross has a couple of choices. They hold classes in San Jose periodically, e.g. an one-hour Adult First Aid/CPR/AED class for \$90, or \$25 online.
- Defibrillator Machine: The idea was again brought up that perhaps the unit would purchase a portable defibrillator machine for the club, but the consensus was the cost (\$1200 new, \$700 refurbished) was prohibitive.

Continuing Business:

Parking: The ongoing parking drama between the club and the landlord continues to escalate and the last correspondence between Ray Yuenger and the landlord's attorneys is unacceptable.

- On April 27, we complained about the landlords uneven application of parking violations. The landlord applied strongly adhesive notices of parking violations to vehicles of bridge players who were parked in spaces reserved for the Bridge Center with parking decals displayed, but in the wrong part of the windshield. Pictures were captured and sent. Those stickers did not come off cleanly and was bordering on vandalism.
- The lawyer refuted our claims and asserts the landlord is being fair. He also said the club has been provided with phone numbers to call if a non-SJBC vehicle is parked in one of our designated spaces, but directors claimed to have used that number for violators only to be ignored.

- The lawyer threatens that should the problems continue, it may become necessary to serve a notice terminating the tenancy.
- The landlord delivered a new set of parking regulations which have been posted on the club's bulletin board, containing for example, the days and hours that the parking restrictions would be enforced.
- All of this back and forth between the landlord and the club resulted in a discussion at the board meeting as to whether we should hire a real estate attorney to help mitigate. The idea was discussed, but it was decided that we are enjoying very capable pro-bono attorney time with our president, Ray Yuenger, and there was no need to spend potentially thousands of dollars on another attorney. At least not now. We'll let Ray continue to deal with the landlord, as long as he's willing to do so.
- By the way, according to the Campbell police, having a handicapped placard does not allow one to straddle two parking spots. That is forbidden and is a ticketable offence despite your handicapped placard.

Linda's agreement with the Palo Alto board to hold a joint unit game sectional the weekend of June 25 and 26, needs to be rescheduled due to the Palo Alto landlords having an event scheduled for June 25. We had a sanction, but Linda is suggesting October 8 and 9 as the new date. The board reiterated carte blanche to Linda to organize this event however she sees fit.

It was suggested to have a Pro-Am game at Palo Alto on June 25. (This can't be right, Ray, but that's what I had in my notes and I don't remember this. Did we suggest this, or is Palo Alto suggesting it?)

We briefly discussed Unit Game themes, coming up with a Halloween theme Sunday, October 30, or an All Eve's theme on Tuesday, November 1.

New Business:

The board discussed how the April Silicon Valley sectional went. Net income was \$2,630 compared to \$1,685 in 2015. The table count was up 17 from 278.5 tables in 2015 to 295.5 tables in 2016. While part of the increase in income was the \$1 increase for the entry fee per player, the table count increase is due to the large presence of the Silicon Valley Youth Bridge (SiVY) students. There was a free session for the SiVY people on Saturday (not included in the above table count), but many chose to play in the Saturday double session game, some doing quite well.

We discussed how having the separate A/X event play 8 boards per round while the rest of the Bracketed Swiss played only 7-board rounds, caused the game to end about an hour later than planned. When we made this decision to allow the A/X players to play more boards, it was presumed that they would be able to complete 8 boards in the same

time as the Bracketed Swiss played their 7 boards. This was not the case at all. The A/X players took longer each round, resulting in them just starting their last round as everybody else was finishing up their last round and going home. A motion was made, seconded, and passed that in future sectionals, we would not specify the number of boards per round and we will have a Bracketed Swiss with no A/X.

The Membership game will be a unit game on Wednesday, July 10.

It was proposed to hold the unit's Holiday party and Unit game on the Sunday before Thanksgiving, November 20.

Karen brought up that we needed to extend our svbridge.org domain name which expires July 8, 2015, but a motion was made, seconded, and passed to drop the much longer siliconvalleybridge.org name. We will keep both the svbridge.org and the original sjbridge.org names only.

Both Jeff Hack and Linda Nemmer announced that they would not seek reelection to their board positions. Jeff said that Ken Imboden was interested in replacing him.

Mary's two agenda items to discuss having a bridge game for youth on the weekends, and holding a social bridge at the club were again pushed out to the next meeting.

The next board meeting will be Tuesday, June 7.