

Minutes for the Nov. board meeting for unit 507 of the ACBL

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

Secretary's Report – Accepted as corrected.

Treasurer's Report – Total assets \$13,167

Extra unit games – A motion is made to give the extra unit game allocations to the directors to divvy up in a fair manner. Motion carries.

Unit Game – Dec 9th will be a team game and Lynn will direct.

499 sectional – This I/N sectional will be held March 1, 2 at the Saratoga senior center. Players will be given free salads for lunch. There is some concern that the senior center will provide enough space for the event since it only holds 30 tables with some overflow. Extra chairs will be needed for this event, as well. There will be two flights of pairs with one 0-100 and the upper flight 100-499. Each of these flights will have three strats. Motion carries.

Directories will be \$150 completely assembled. These will be passed out to the membership at the holiday party.

The unit recorder has a procedural question that will be taken up in executive session.

Mary Steele has been nominated as Good Will representative. Motion carries.

District News – 1500 pocket calendars will be given out at the Monterrey regional.

Membership –4 new members. 2 re-instated themselves, 2 members transferred out.

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.

Facilities – The lights outside are now on at 5:30 for safety concerns. When they installed the video screen in the building, the electrician cut the outlet wall sockets. Jeff is still looking for a bathroom stall-lock for the men's room.

Sectional Oct 25-27th – There were so many parking signs that players were confused where to park. Sunday night, only one janitor was provided and more help will be needed for the next sectional in the spring. We will either have to hire more janitors or we will need to stay and clean up ourselves. We will have to stack the chairs and do some clean up. We need to publicize that people with mobility issues will be able to be dropped off at the door and a member will then park the player's car. The grill was open on Saturday for those that wished to stay. Also many complimented the excellent sandwiches served on Sunday between the two sessions. There were some issues about the strats chosen by the directors. It was suggested that the IN games be open to all non-lifemasters and those holding under 500 master points. We could include up to 3000 master points in the BCD. This would balance the strats. We could also change the event to bracketed Round Robin teams. We would finish sooner. A motion is made that we change the Sunday team games to a bracketed format with the top two brackets to play 56 boards. This motion carries. This will take care of the strat issues in the Sunday team events.

Holiday Party – A motion is made to hold this event Nov 24th before the nationals. The motion passes. The Roosevelt room at the community center will be the venue. A motion is made that we pay for Mischel to order two holiday turkeys from the BBQ caterer. This carries.