

December 14 Board meeting

In attendance: Mich Ravera, Norman Marks, Stu Goodgold, Karen O'Connell, Judy Fisher, Mischel Postas, Lynn Bartz, Doug Hong, RayYuenger

No Unit members appeared in response to invitations to attend the **annual virtual membership meeting**.

The **minutes** of the regular meeting on November 9 and the special meeting on November 16 were approved as submitted.

The **treasurer's report** was received.

There was discussion of possible new Board members, recognizing that we have the minimum number required by the Bylaws.

It was acknowledged that on the 16th, the Board approved a list of ten preconditions for reopening the San Jose Bridge Center, one precondition being a draft license agreement for directors at the new club.

The Board ratified its email vote to name a Reno NABC event after Wendy Dewell.

Mich had not sent a **communication to the unit members** since the last meeting. Topics for his next communication were discussed. Norman mentioned Lynn Yokel had talked about scheduling a face-to-face unit game in January. No site has been arranged. The Board authorized Lynn to run a Unit game.

Ray described a meeting of the **reopening committee**. The committee discussed the precondition of reopening after January 15, which now seemed unrealistic. Statewide masking has subsequently been reinstated. There was discussion of the attendance at the Palo Alto Bridge games being about 6 to 7 tables.

The **total membership** is 568 per the In and Out report.

Judy had no news from the club owners.

Stu reported on the **ACBL Board meeting**. Joann Glasson was elected the president for 2022. She will be attending the Monterey regional. Look for Stu's written report in the Diamond in the Ruff District 21 newsletter. There are concerns about having robot partners in virtual clubs. Robots are ranked as flight A. Management is looking into equity of chits provided for daytime players and snacks provided for evening players. The gift amount was increased for I/N players. An experimental "rainbow" STAC offering different pigmented points will be held. A new convention card was approved. A copy can be found on the BridgeWinners.com website.

Ray reported on a **special D21 Board meeting** on November 18. Watch for Ray's article summarizing that meeting in the Diamond in the Ruff newsletter. The Board approved a budget for the Monterey Regional. The Board approved a travel policy. The Board approved a Bylaws change creating an Executive Committee with the authority to act for the Board in between meetings. The previous committee only had advisory authority. The Committee is composed of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer, and a new officer, the Executive Committee Officer. There will be elections for each office at a Board meeting on January 15. The intent is to handle emergency issues that can't wait till a Board meeting. The Board will be able to reverse ExCom decisions.

One issue for the D21 Board will be whether to remain in the **Western Conference** with only one other District 22, with 17 dropping out.

In the absence of new business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for January 11. Norman will be unable to attend.

Submitted,

Ray Yuenger

Secretary