

Minutes ACBL Unit 507 Zoom Board Meeting

February 8, 2022 5:30 PM

In attendance: Mich Ravera, Mischel Postas, Ray Yuenger, Karen O'Connell, Judy Fisher, Norman Marks, Doug Hong, guests Lynn Yokel and Milind Girkar. Lynn Bartz and Stu Goodgold appeared later as noted in the minutes.

The **minutes** of the January meeting were approved with one correction.

Ray pointed out that the **treasurer's report** distributed was for January, not February. Karen will check after the meeting.

Regarding future **sectionals**, Norman declined being appointed the sectional coordinator. Past coordinator Mischel will compile a list of the duties and share it with the board. She has not heard back from the church regarding room availability. There was no plan made to hold a spring sectional. There was discussion of possible coordinators or dividing up the position.

Regarding **in memoriam** games, the Board approved a biography of Wendy Dewell that had been circulated by email to the board. The Board voted to name a \$150 single session open pairs at the Reno Nationals for Loreta Flynn. Ray pointed out that most open events are double-sessions and displayed the list onscreen. Listed costs are \$350 for a 2-session regional event, \$200 for a 2-session Side Game series, \$150 for a single-session open pairs event, \$100 for a 299er game. Lynn Yokel said there is no single-session open pairs except for one game of side pairs series. The Board agreed to name a two-session open pairs event in honor of Fran Dickman. Ray promised to communicate the Unit's naming choices with Tom Pajak at District 21. Lynn Bartz arrived as the motion was pending.

Lynn Yokel will not hold a face-to-face **unit championship** until masks are no longer required. The authorization for the championship was not extended beyond the end of March.

Regarding continuing **storage** of the San Jose Bridge Club's supplies, Doug Hong is storing the club's dealing machine, bidding boxes, and the BridgeMates at his residence. The Board discussed continuing to share the cost of the storage unit with the Directors' Association. No decision was made to change the arrangement. Ray volunteered to send Norman an inventory of the contents of the storage unit in order to assign items a value. Doug volunteered to store folding tables and chairs for the club, if purchased. Stu Goodgold appeared during this discussion.

The latest **membership count** is 562.

Ray reported that the **District Board** will soon be voting on an outcome to the negotiations regarding the attrition cost due to the room nights shortfall at the Monterey Hyatt for the 2022 Regional. He also reported on negotiations with the Sacramento Doubletree and the Santa Clara Hyatt for 2022. The Monterey Hyatt was unwilling to reduce our minimum room commitments in the existing contracts for 2023, 2024, and 2025.

Stu advised the Board to review his upcoming column about **ACBL Board** developments in the District newsletter. He explained the new STaC event called a Royal STaC that awards every kind of masterpoint. He has made a pending motion to award Districts two Royal STaCs a year.

Norman had to leave at 6:30 pm.

Milind Girkar introduced himself and explained he had qualified in the recent District NAP event.

The Board discussed topics for the next **Presidential communication**.

The **next Board meeting** was scheduled for March 1st due to a conflict with the Nationals. The meeting was adjourned.

--Ray Yuenger

Secretary