

Minutes ACBL Unit 507 Zoom Board Meeting

May 10, 2022 5:30 PM

In **attendance**: Mich Ravera, Mischel Postas, Karen O'Connell, Ray Yuenger, Michael Fleisher, Judy Fisher, Norman Marks, Stu Goodgold, Lynn Bartz, Bruce Luttrell (10 minutes late), guests Lynn Yokel, Rick Jasper, David Holbrook, and Betsey Wagner.

The Board voted to accept Norman's revisions of the draft **minutes** for the two meetings in April 2022. Stu objected to wholesale last-minute revisions of the minutes in the future.

The Board accepted the Treasurer's latest **financial reports**.

The Board **appointed** Betsey Wagner to fill the last vacant position on the Unit Board.

In terms of **upcoming elections** for the Board, Ray explained that the terms lapsing this June are Lynn Bartz, Judy Fisher, Betsey Wagner, Stu Goodgold, Doug Hong, and Norman Marks. Each member indicated a willingness to continue serving. The President will solicit nominations in his next newsletter.

Rick Jasper explained there have been technical issues in establishing the **new Unit website** and Cloudflare and Pianola have been slow in addressing the problems. Ray explained that the ACBL links for Ace of Clubs and mini-McKenney contests are static and need to be updated annually. They are accurate on the new website.

Bruce will try to schedule a **fall sectional** date through Tourney Trax after contacting the District 21 Tournament Coordinator. Lynn Yokel emphasized that we need to identify a date and location soon. Having the sectional at the Palo Alto Bridge Club was discussed.

Lynn Yokel explained she doesn't have a place or date for a **unit championship** and expects to be out of town for a couple of months. Mischel was asked to pick a date for a unit game. Various dates were discussed.

The President solicited news items for his **monthly newsletter**.

Lynn Yokel explained she is applying to a local church for a site for a **new bridge club**. The cost of the site hasn't been mentioned yet.

The **Unit membership total** is 546.

There was no news from **District 21** and the date for the next meeting has not been set yet.

Stu reported that the ACBL Strategy Committee is trying to improve face-to-face games and to reduce the large online alliances. It will be meeting soon. There was discussion

about whether limiting online games will necessarily benefit face-to-face games. Bruce suggested there should be incentives for returning to face-to-face bridge.

Ray and Mich noted a recent change in the **Alert Charts**.

Regarding the contents of the **storage unit**, Ray said that the office liquidators on Craigslist specifically indicate in their ads that they do not want to hear unsolicited offers. Ray intends to list items on Craigslist for sale in bulk to try to get the attention of a professional liquidator.

Dave suggested using the Sunnyvale Community Center for a bridge game.

Stu mentioned that we should schedule a **membership meeting**. If we get a location for a unit game, that would be a good time for the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.

--Ray Yuenger

Secretary