



Memorandum of Discussion

ACBL Unit 174 Board of Directors Meeting

April 20, 2021

Zoom Video Conference

Call to Order

Jack LaVigne

The meeting was called to order at 1:01 pm. Directors in attendance: Joyce Gore, Lauri Laufman, Carol Lombardino, Clif Rice Dave Becker, Karen Nussbaum, Kathy McDougall, Greg May and Thomas Rush.
Others present: Gary Hercules, Nancy Guthrie, Nancy Strohmer and Jack LaVigne.

Board Changeover and Election of Officers

Jack LaVigne

Jack welcomed the three (3) new board members, Carol Lombardino, Thomas Rush, and Dave Becker. The new officers were then elected.

President – Karen Nussbaum

Vice-President – Thomas Rush

Secretary – Clif Rice

Jack thanked the current board and then handed the gavel over to incoming President, Karen Nussbaum.

Technology Procedures

Greg May

Greg plans to get together individually with the new members to discuss guidelines of procedures on Technology, Passwords, and Box.

Procedure Manual and Bylaws

Lauri Laufman

Lauri sent an updated pdf of the procedure manual to both the new and returning members.



ACBL Update

Paul Cuneo

No report.

Approval of Minutes

Joyce Gore

The minutes were prepared and emailed to the Board.

Motion: That the March 2021 Minutes be approved.

The motion made by Lauri Laufman- Seconded by Dave Becker.

Motion carried

Treasurer's Report

Gary Hercules

Gary welcomed the new members and officers. Gary advised the new officers about meeting with the bank and discussed the expense report form.

The March Financial Statements were verified and emailed to the Board.

Motion: to Approve the March 2021 Financial Statements was made by Joyce Gore
-Seconded by Kathy McDougall. **Motion Carried**

Gary asked if the sanitizers that were ordered for the June Sectional had been received. Lauri assured him they had except those from Dallas.

Old Business

Committee Reports

Charity Report

No report

Nancy Strohmer

I/N-Future Life Master

Kathy McDougall /Greg May

Greg advised that the FLM and I/N should be separated as unit functions. The FLM continues to move forward with 4-5 tables and that the newcomers are taking advantage of the free lessons. The concept is working

Motion: That we allocate \$500 for the FLM group (for flyers).

Motion made by Greg May - Seconded by Joyce Gore

Discussion; **motion withdrawn** and resubmitted by Greg:

Motion: That we allocate \$250 for the FLM group (for flyers).

Motion made by Greg May - Seconded by Thomas Rush

Motion carried



New Member Recruitment/Retention/Education

Kathy McDougall

BIAD (Bridge in a Day) last session was not as good as hoped and was poorly attended. They are looking for new ideas to market BIAD.

Nancy Strohmer recommends a task force to add non-board members to assist with BIAD marketing and member retention.

Member Communications *No report* ***Jeanne Phelps***

Publicity Chair *No report* ***Dave Becker***

Website & Information *No report* ***Carol Winograd***

SUPPLIES *No report* ***Clif Rice***

AWARDS ***Joyce Gore***

Joyce Gore reported that Sheryl Thomas mailed 5 New Life Master plaques to Jenelle Chamberlain, Shirley Kingsley, Bill Nash, Debbie Nash and Michael Wells on April 17, 2021

GNT ***Kathy McDougall***

The district held the GNT qualifier on BBO for flights A, B and C. Flight A -11 teams, B - 16 teams and C -13 teams. Due to a scheduling conflict the finals for the Championship Flight will be held in May.

STAC (U174) *No report* ***Kathy McDougall***

NAP *No report* ***Greg May***

New Business

August 2021 Sectional **Karen Nussbaum**

Budget, Schedule and Flyer submitted by Karen assisted by Jack LaVigne

BUDGET:

Motion: That we accept the budget.

Motion made by Thomas Rush, Second by Kathy McDougall

Motion: That we amend the budget to delete line 34 of the budget.

Motion made by Lauri Laufman, Second by Thomas Rush



Motion Carried.

Motion: That we accept the budget as amended/

Motion made by Thomas Rush, Second by Kathy McDougall

Motion Carried.

SCHEDULE:

Motion: That we accept the schedule, amended to remove the Mini Soloway.

Motion made by Thomas Rush, Second by Clif Rice.

Motion Carried

FLYER:

The flyer will need to be updated for the revised schedule. It was also noted that the Flyer should be changed to distinctly identify the playing site, Arabia Shriners, from local hotels with room blocks. Approval of flyer postponed.

Board Assignments

Karen Nussbaum

Board assignments will be finalized at the Planning meeting.

BOD Annual Planning Meeting

Karen Nussbaum

The meeting is scheduled for Monday April 26th at 8:30 pm via Zoom.

Tournament Contracts/Future

Lauri Laufman

Lauri advised the Arabia Shriners have agreed to the following *sectional* contracts:

Late Summer 2021	Arabia Shriners
Spring 2022	Arabia Shriners
Early Summer 2022	Arabia Shriners
Late Summer 2022	Arabia Shriners
Fall 2022	Arabia Shriners

Currently have sanction and working on an IN Regional/and Fall sectional for Fall 2023 at Moody Gardens Galveston. Paul Cuneo works on regional contracts. The Marriott contract is in place for 2022 and he is working on 2023-2025

District Update

Lauri Laufman



Lauri asked for assistance publicizing the District's 0-20 games on Mondays at 4 pm and the 99er night club nightly at 6 pm, seven days a week. All four virtual clubs in Unit 174 have opted in for the 99er game.

Nancy Strohmer wished to recognize exceptional district work on the virtual GNT event and the hard work by Scott Nason, Kevin Perkins and Jay Whipple.

Club Manager Report

Lauri Laufman

We have run four weeks of 0-20 games with 4-5 tables for unit members on BBO. In four to six weeks we need to decide whether to continue under the Unit sanction or see if a club could take over the game.

Executive Session

None.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn

made by Kathy McDougall - Seconded by Joyce Gore

Motion carried

The meeting was adjourned at 2:48 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Clif Rice, Unit 174 Secretary

