



**Memorandum of Discussion**  
**ACBL Unit 174 Board of Directors Meeting**  
**July 11, 2022**  
**Tracy Gee Community Center**

**Call to Order**

**Thomas Rush**

The meeting was called to order at 9:15 am by President Thomas Rush. Directors in attendance: Karen Nussbaum via Zoom, Thomas Rush, Kathy McDougall, Greg May, Charles Dalton, Byron Fackenthall, Clif Rice, John DuBose, Steve Gordon, and present as guests were Nancy Strohmmer and Betty Starzec.

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from April, May and June will be approved by the Board via email once they are circulated.

**Treasurer's Report**

**Steve Gordon**

Treasurer Steve Gordon has been working through the books to get everything in order and gave an extensive report to the Board covering six months of activity. He noted difficulties including issues in the ACBL budget form. Discrepancies were discussed and clarified.

**Recommendation:** We need to have overlap of treasurers so the incoming treasurer can be up to speed on all issues before assuming the role.

The full budget report is yet to be completed. Steve will send the reports to Herb Kahlman, the Unit's outside accountant, for approval, then the report will be submitted to the Board for approval followed by publication of the report to the membership.

**Action Items:**

- For set up of the tournaments, it is better to use volunteers and reward them with free plays.
- For the education component of the STAC tournaments, it is better to have registrant's pre-pay.



## **Old Business**

### **Technology**

**Greg May**

There is still a microphone issue at Shriner's.

### **Procedure Manual**

**Kathy McDougal**

The procedure manual needs to be updated to provide for pre-payment for education.

### **District Update**

**Nancy Strohmer**

Charity games begin this week.

FLM games are encouraged in the clubs and subsidized by \$140-\$150 per month. The financing had been approved at a special meeting of the District Board.

Betty Starzac suggested a pro-am game. Kathy McDougal and Thomas Rush will take this suggestion under advisement for the next Regional and/or Sectional tournaments.

The District has approved funding for schools of Bridge Wiz, and are planning a September game/introduction to bridge for the students' parents.

Charles Dalton, Katy McDougal, and Byron Fackenthall are the committee for Future Life Masters.

### **Club Connection**

**Thomas Rush**

Three to four times per year the Board goes at a group to various clubs in the Unit to help the clubs, expose the Board to our members, and to promote programs like FLM.

### **Club Manager Report**

**Greg May**

No report

### **Tournament Contracts/ Future Sites**

**Clif Rice**

No report.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Nominating Committee**

No report.

### **Charity Report**

**Nancy Strohmer**

Charity games are ongoing.



**Traditions Game****Nancy Strohmer**

No report

**I/N /Future Life Masters****Kathy McDougall/ Greg May**

Greg suggested that we have a 50% off coupon for 0-299rs; or come free today and pay only 50% tomorrow.

**Motion: made by Greg May to offer 50% off coupon for 0-299rs, the Board approved unanimously. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Education****Kathy McDougall**

No report.

**New Member Recruitment**

No report

**Unit Newsletter**

No report

**Jeanne Phelps****Publicity**

No report

**Supplies**

Clif Rice noted that the supplies should be delivered the day before the tournament begins. Currently we have two units in an unairconditioned warehouse. The units should be consolidated into one airconditioned unit.

**Website & Information**

No report

**Carol Winograd****STAC (U174)****Karen Naussbaum**

No report.

**GNT****Karen Naussbaum**

Representatives from Unit 174 are currently playing in the GNT tournament.

**NAP****Karen Naussbaum**

The NAP qualifiers at the club level are ongoing.

**Awards****Karen Naussbaum**

Karen Naussbaum stated that BCOH needs plaques for new life masters. Joyce Gore entered the meeting and stated that she has them.

**June Sectional tournament****Charles Dalton**

Charles stated that the tournament chairs need more information and that our reporting procedures need work. Expenses need to be captured for reporting by the chairs.



## New Business

### August Sectional

The marketing for this tournament needs to be out there. The flyers are ready but there are some issues with the group rate at Springhill Suites.

**Motion: made by Nancy Strohmer to approve the August Sectional flyer. Karen seconded; all were in favor. MOTION CARRIED.**

### Halloween Sectional

Greg May had the flyer for the Halloween Sectional ready. Clif Rice will verify the rates at the hotels before distribution.

**Motion: made by Byron Fackenthall to approve Halloween flyer. Board approved with two minor changes—subject to verification of hotel rates and modification of “Side Pairs” to “Spooky Side Pairs”. MOTION CARRIED.**

### Next Board Meeting

*Thomas Rush*

Monday August 8 at 9:15am at Tracy Gee

### Executive Session

None

### Adjournment

#### Motion to adjourn

Made by Clif Rice.

*Motion carried*

*The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am.*

Respectfully submitted,

*Sarah Springer, Unit 174 Board Secretary*

