



Memorandum of Discussion
ACBL Unit 174 Board of Directors Meeting
June 1, 2015
Westside Bridge Academy

Call to order

Nancy Strohmer

Nancy Strohmer, President of Unit 174, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Directors present were: Bob Armstrong, John Caudill, Beverley Cheatham, Daniel Jackson, Dan Leightman, Bill Riley and Nancy Strohmer. Gary Hercules, treasurer for Unit 174, was also present. Walter Freitag and Chuck Ensor were absent.

Also present were Paul Cuneo and Betty Starzec.

Beverley then asked that each person present introduce themselves to the new board member.

Candidates for 1st Alternate

Paul Cuneo & Betty Starzec

Paul Cuneo and Betty Starzec are both candidates for the position of 1st Alternate in the upcoming District 16 elections. Each was given the opportunity to make a presentation to the Unit 174 Board, expressing their reasons to consider when voting for them. After their presentations, they were thanked for their efforts and invited to stay for the remainder of the board meeting.

Approval of minutes

Bob Armstrong

Bob had emailed copies of the May minutes to the Board members.

Motion: That the May Minutes be approved.

The above motion was made by Beverley Cheatham and seconded by Daniel. The motion was approved by all present.

Treasurer's Report

Gary Hercules

At the May Board meeting, April Financial report was tabled for approval at this, the June meeting.

Motion: That the April Financial Report be approved.

The above motion was made by John Caudill and seconded by Beverley Cheatham. The motion was approved by all present.



The May treasurer's report was presented by Gary. Gary Hercules had sent the report by Email. The Verifiers Report had not been received; therefore Gary asked to table the approval awaiting the receipt.

Gary asked that the availability of the \$2 prizes be better advertised. He stated that he would leave a list of the April winners with the Hospitality desk so that uncollected awards could be given at the June Sectional.

He then described the procedure he would follow to compensate the clubs for Mentor/Mentee games.

District Report

Paul Cuneo

Paul reported that there was no report other than to say that the next meeting of the District Board will be held at the upcoming San Antonio tournament.

Old Business

June 2015 Sectional

Bob/Walter

Bob reported that pricing for coffee had been settled back to the agreed rate. He then asked for the names of those who planned to participate in set up. Nothing else to report.

August 2015 4-Day Sectional

Beverley/John

Beverley reported that everything was on schedule.

November 2015 Sectional

Daniel/Bill

Daniel stated that he had a budget that indicated a small loss.

Motion: That we maintain the Sunday Enter Fee at \$13.

The above motion was made by John Caudill and seconded by Bob Armstrong. The motion was approved by all present.

Motion: That the Budget as revised be approved.

The above motion was made by Chuck Ensor and seconded by Bob Armstrong. The motion was approved by all present.

GNT/NAP

Beverley/John

Beverley stated that the start times for the November NAP games be moved up to 10:00 am. She asked Daniel to submit this change to ACBL. She also asked for opinions of the flyer. There was opinions express that it appeared too busy.

STaC

Chuck/Daniel

No report



Selected Areas of Interest for 2015

Group

Nancy went through each item on the list of assignments. There was a brief discussion about each item.

Motion: That the Unit 174 has done “best efforts” to allow individuals to opt out of the unit directory be approved and the Board proceed with both electronic and hard copies of the directory.

The above motion was made by Chuck Ensor and seconded by Bob Armstrong. The motion was approved by all present.

Nancy reported that the 2016 ABA/ACBL Game has been set for March 5, 2016 at Tracy Gee.

A list of the assignments is attached to this set of minutes for easy reference.

Unit Calendar

Chuck

Chuck reported that there were still issues regarding the 2016 portion of the calendar which he would get finalized during June,

ACBL Senior Trials

Daniel/Bob/Bill

Daniel reported that the committee recommended we do not proceed with this issue

Royal Oaks Senior Home

Nancy

Nothing to report.

Constant Contact Management

Nancy

Nancy stated that the Constant Contact had been cleaned for use going forward.

LSR 2016

Bob/Chuck/Dan/Nancy

Nancy asked that the discussion about the proposed schedule be resumed.

Motion: That the schedule as originally presented be reinstated.

The above motion was made by Chuck Ensor and seconded by John Caudill.

There was a discussion about the pros and cons of the schedule as proposed in the above motion. Several opinions about the history and structure of the schedule were presented.

The motion was approved by a vote of 4 to 3 with one abstention.

New Business

WBA Longest Day Rent Request

Group

Westside Bridge Academy has requested compensation for running the Longest Day event. After discussion, Nancy asked for a motion.

Motion: That Unit 174 not provide the requested compensation.

The above motion was made by Bob Armstrong and seconded by John Caudill. The motion was approved by all present.

Executive Session



Nancy moved the meeting to Executive Session. The Executive Session lasted 10 minutes.

Future Board Meetings

The next UNIT Board meeting will be held on Monday, July 20, 2015 at 7:00 pm at Westside Bridge Academy.

Adjournment

Motion: That the meeting be adjourned.

The motion was made by Dan Leightman, seconded by Bob Armstrong and approved by all present.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Armstrong on behalf of Walter Freitag, Secretary

Attachment



Attachment A

SELECTED AREAS OF EMPHASIS 2015

MEMBERSHIP ATTRACTION/RETENTION	ALL
ATTRACT INACTIVE PLAYERS (0-5)	SHERYL
WHIRLWIND BRIDGE W/FOLLOW UP	WALTER
JOINT EVENT W/ABA	NANCY
BOARD MEMBERS CLUB VISITS	BILL
ENHANCE PLAYER EXPERIENCE AT TOURNAMENTS	ALL
HOSPITALITY AT REGIONALS	NANCY
RESTAURANT DISCOUNTS	WALTER
POSTER (WELCOME/TOURNAMENT INFO.)	SHERYL
I/N ENHANCEMENTS (SPEAKERS, VOLUNTEERS, ETC)	SHERYL
BUSINESS SUBSIDIES	DAN
HANDLING OF SUNDAY LUNCHES	GARY
CONSIDER CREDIT CARD ACCEPTANCE	BOB
CONSIDER SWISS TEAM HAND RECORDS	BOB
GOOGLE DRIVE TRAINING	DANIEL
BRIDGE IN SCHOOLS	BILL/ERROL
PROCEDURES UPDATES (ALL HELP)	DANIEL/BOB/BILL
LOOK INTO WEBMASTER BACKUP	DANIEL
LOOK INTO BUSINESS INTERRUPTION/CATASTROPHIC INSURANCE COVERAGE	DAN
SET UP GROUP ON YAHOO FOR CONFIDENTIAL INFO	DANIEL
UTILIZATION OF DEMOGRAPHIC INFO.	BILL
COMMUNICATIONS	NANCY
DIRECTORY	BILL
REVIEW ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING PROCESS	ALL
TEACHER RECOGNITION	BOB
INFRA STRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS	WALTER/BOB/JOHN

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