



## Memorandum of Discussion

### ACBL Unit 174 Board of Directors Meeting

March 7, 2011

### Houston Bridge Studio

#### Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm. Present were Bob Dowlen-Vice-President, Beverley Cheatham, Chuck Ensor, Jolie Hess, Kathy Hughes, Robert Reichel and Joyce Ryan.

Also present for part of the meeting were Jim Woodward – Treasurer and Bert Onstott – District 16 Representative.

#### Minutes of Previous Board meeting

Secretary

The minutes of the February 7, 2011 meeting were approved.

#### Treasurer's Report

Jim

#### Month Financials

Jim Woodward submitted the March 6, 2011 Financials showing a net income of \$3,492 for the 2011 year. Jim noted that the mentor fee subsidy had not been made to Bridge Club of Houston for the past 15 months. A request for reimbursement to the Club in an amount over \$1,000 required approval from the Unit Board.

**Motion: To approve the reimbursement to BCOH for mentor fees for the past 15 months.**

The motion was seconded and approved.

**Motion: To approve the March 7, 2011 Financial Statements as presented.**

The motion was seconded and approved.

#### Bert Onstott Report to the Board

Bert

#### District 16

Bert

Bert reported no District news.

#### Membership

Bert



Bert reported that membership increased by 5 to 2,520. We are still down 55 from our recent high of 2,575 in April, 2010. We had 20 new members. Beverley reported that Sandy Clark and her committee are making extra efforts to encourage expired members to renew. District membership is down as well. We have lost 87 members and are now well below 9,000 and in real danger of losing our extra regional.

## **Old Business**

### **Education Report**

**Joyce**

The 132 books sold in the month of February for a total of \$1,293.

### **2011 Regional**

**Bob**

Bob reported a Net profit of \$7,435.70 at the Lone Star Regional. Bob asked the Board members to encourage all members to vote on the playing schedule in the on-line Poll on the Unit 174 Website.

### **Election Sectional Jolie**

Everything is ready. The candidates for Unit 174 Board election will be invited to assist in the set up.

### **GNT**

**Beverley**

There were 22 teams playing at the GNT on February 13<sup>th</sup> at the Houston Bridge Studio. There were 14 Flight B teams and 8 Flight C. Scott Humphrey directed. The results were posted on the website and reported to Jim Bauer at District Level. A total of \$1,760 was collected in fees and expenses amounted to \$1,370 leaving a net of \$390.

### **Supplies**

**Chuck**

Chuck reported that all major supplies are on hand for the April Sectional.

### **Awards**

**Karen**

Karen reported that there are 11 pre-paid Plaques remaining.

### **Clear Lake Sites**

**Chuck/Paul**

Continued contacts will be made in March with the South Shore Harbour Hotel as potential Sectional site during the year of 2012.

### **STaC**

**Chuck**

Nothing to report.

### **Bryan/College Station**

**Bob**

Bob reported that the flyer is being prepared and contacts for food procurement is being made.

### **August Sectional**

**Robert/Kathy**

Robert reported that the schedule and budget is being prepared.

### **Unit Calendar**

**Jolie**



Jolie reported that everything was set for 2011. The question of a new hotel for October 2011 in Humble was discussed. Suggestions were made and further inquiries will be made. Jolie presented a proposed schedule for 2012. She asked board members to review and notify of any changes that need to be made.

### **Fund Raising Report Bob**

Bob reported that a check in the amount of \$34.76 was received from the Randall Good Neighbor Program.

### **New Business**

#### **Board Planning Session**

**Bob**

The date of April 18<sup>th</sup> was selected for the new Board Planning Meeting to be held at Tracy Gee Community Center at 9am.

### **Executive Session**

The Board was in Executive Session for 10 minutes.

### **Future Meeting dates**

The next board meeting will be April 4<sup>th</sup>.

### **Adjourn**

**Motion: That the meeting be adjourned.**

The motion was seconded and approved at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Beverley Cheatham

Secretary

