

Memorandum of Discussion
ACBL Unit 174 Board of Directors Meeting
March 7, 2016
Tracy Gee's Community Center

Call to order

Nancy Strohmer

Nancy Strohmer, President of Unit 174, called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.

Directors present were: Bob Armstrong, John Caudill, Walter Freitag, Daniel Jackson, Daniel Leightman (by phone), Bill Riley, and Nancy Strohmer.

Directors absent were: Beverley Cheatham and Chuck Ensor.

Other attending was: Gary Hercules.

Approval of minutes

Walter Freitag

Walter Freitag had emailed copies of the February 2016 minutes to the Board Members.

Motion: That the February 2016 Minutes be approved.

The above motion was made by Daniel Jackson and seconded by John Caudill. The motion was approved by all.

Treasurer's Report

Gary Hercules

Gary Hercules stated that inventory for December 31, 2016 needed to be computed. Walter Freitag and Gary Hercules would meet to discuss inventory.

District Report

Paul Cuneo

There was no report.

Old Business

LSR 2016

Nancy/Group

ACBL Unit 174 saved money on both caddies and director expenses. John Caudill is doing a great job with caddies and Kevin Perkins was very conscientious on his expenses.



April 2016 Sectional**Chuck/Dan**

Dan Leightman reported that everything was on schedule. Flyers have been distributed to the clubs.

June Schedule**John**

John Caudill and all board members present reviewed the flyer.

August Tournament Schedule**Dan**

Daniel Jackson stated that information from the recent survey would be used to determine schedule.

Annual Meeting Unit Report**Dan**

Bill Riley will prepare the PowerPoint. Eddie Wold and Mary Pat Gentry will be recognized in addition to the other awards given.

Selected Areas of Emphasis for 2015/Board Assignments**Group**

Bob Armstrong and John Caudill stated that ACBL Unit 174 should receive confirmation from the bridge studios that they have received the awards.

John Caudill stated that Westside Bridge Academy is not interested in hosting the GNT because it is not profitable for it. We will contract with Bridge Club of Houston for GNT.

Walter Freitag presented a report for Learn Bridge in a Day. There were 98 attendees, 4 of which attended the Lone Star Regional. 12 attendees provided ACBL number at Registration. 59 attendees were from Houston and 17 were from the Woodlands area. 66 attendees stated that a specific individual recommended the course to them. Evaluation scores were between 4.52 and 4.81 with 5 as the top score. Attendees wanted more practice hands.

Nancy Strohmer stated there were 39 1/2 tables at the Joint ABA/ACBL event held on Marcy 5, 2016.

Bill Riley stated that in March 2016, the board members will visit the bridge clubs in Galveston and Conroe.

Daniel Jackson stated that he has received comments on procedures from Nancy Strohmer and Beverley Cheatham.

Membership survey/poll update**Dan**

500 surveys have been completed by membership. 400 have been entered into Monkey Survey, with another 100 surveys that need to be entered. Results will be emailed to Board Members when completed and discussed at the next meeting.

LSR 2017 Schedule**Bob**

The LSR 2017 Schedule was reviewed with no action taken.

Zero Tolerance Club communication process recommendation**All**

Email was sent to clubs to remind them that Bob Dowlen is the recorder and the clubs should send him information about violations of zero tolerance at the clubs.

Automated External Defibrillators**All**

Cintas will come to the May 2016 board meeting to discuss AED's.

New Business

Illness Injection Policy

There was much discussion regarding Julie Connor's proposal and ACBL's recommendations. The pros and cons were reviewed and the board agreed on list of actions which will be implemented at all tournaments. This will be communicated to the membership at the Annual Meeting. The main items will be to have Purell available at all tournaments and encourage members who are sick to stay at home.

Executive Session

Motion: To go into Executive Session.

The above motion was made by Bob Armstrong and seconded by Bill Riley. The motion was approved by all.

Motion: To end Executive Session.

The above motion was made by Bill Riley and seconded by Walter Freitag. The motion was approved by all.

Future Board Meetings

The next Unit Board meeting will be held on Monday, April 4, 2016 at 7:00 pm at Westside Bridge Academy.

Adjournment

Motion: That the meeting be adjourned.

The motion was made by Daniel Jackson and seconded by Walter Freitag. The motion was approved by all.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter Freitag, Secretary

