



## Memorandum of Discussion

# ACBL Unit 174 Board of Directors Meeting

March 9th, 2021

Zoom

### Call to Order

Jack LaVigne

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm.

**Directors Present:** Joyce Gore, Nancy Guthrie, Lauri Laufman, Jack LaVigne, Greg May, Karen Nussbaum, Clif Rice, and Sheryl Thomas.

**Absent:** Kathleen McDougall

**Others Present:** Gary Hercules-Treasurer, Thomas Rush, Nancy Strohmer and Eric Watson.

### Approval of Minutes

Joyce Gore

The February 2021 Minutes were prepared and emailed to the Board.

**Motion** that the February 2021 Board Minutes be approved was made by Nancy Guthrie– Seconded by Clif Rice. **Motion Carried**

### Treasurer's Report

Gary Hercules

Gary reported the February 2021 Financial Reports had been emailed and verified.

**Motion** to accept the **February** Financial Report was made by Lauri Laufman - Seconded by Karen Nussbaum. **Motion Carried**

Gary mentioned that after the April election those that would be involved needed to plan on going to the bank to sign the new signature cards.



## **Old Business**

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Charity**

**Nancy Strohmer**

Nancy reminded the Board of the upcoming online Charity Week, hosted by ACBL scheduled for April 12-18. Double points will be issued.

#### **IN/Future Life Masters**

**Greg May**

Greg reported the program was going well. They had 15 people sign up. They are meeting on a weekly basis and are working on partnerships and several other important items.

Greg said they were pleased to hear BCOH had announced adding a 99er game on Thursday evenings along with their regular Thursday evening game.

Greg said they now have a lot of local and National offerings.

Greg informed the Board that there are now four (4) instructors online. They are Terry Currie, Sam Kayatt, Charles Lawson and Jeanne Phelps.

Nancy Guthrie said all involved in the Future Life Master program were enthused, excited, and are exploring other opportunities. She said the key is that they are working well as a team.

#### **BIAD**

**Kathy McDougall**

In the absence of Kathy, Nancy Strohmer reported that BIAD, held on March 27<sup>th</sup>, had approximately 30 people register, and approximately 20 came to the technical session prior to the actual BIAD workshop. The actual attendance was only 17 which was disappointingly low.

Of the 30 that registered, 8 were from Unit 174, and a good portion were from Austin (Unit 207)

Everyone that registered had been contacted whether they attended the workshop or not.

Lists have been distributed to the teachers in each unit so they can follow up with each of the players on an individual basis. There were four (4) volunteers from Unit 174 assisting at the workshop. They were Nancy Guthrie, Lauri Laufman, Kathy McDougall and Clif Rice.

Assertion was that BIAD is mostly a Unit driven effort.

Nancy will send an email to the 8 (eight) Unit 174 registered attendees to find out how they heard about BIAD.

#### **Supplies**

**Clif Rice**

Clif said the 15 medals for the Mini-McKenney Awards have been ordered. They would be here sometime next week. Clif said they would not have the date on them and wanted to know if the Board



thought he should have the year inscribed on each of them.. After discussion it was decided he would get the medals to Sheryl and she would take them to Crown Trophy to have the date inscribed.

**Awards**

**Sheryl Thomas**

Sheryl reported two (2) new Life Master this month, Paddy Fiorino and Ken Hudson. She said the plaques had been mailed.

**Technology**

**Greg May**

Greg said he had two (2) licenses that were due to expire in October.

Jack said he and Greg need to set a date to swap so that Greg is the Admin and he is a Member.

**Tournament Chair**

**Jack LaVigne**

Jack said there would be a change to the August Tournament.

The new Chairperson will either be Karen or Kathy.

**For Board Elections**

**Jack LaVigne**

Jack said the postcards for the election had been mailed and the Webmasters are prepared for voting to commence, so everything is in place for the election.

Jack said, as the voting is concluded on Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup> there would be a Special Membership Meeting on Sunday April 18 at 2:00 pm. A practice meeting for this meeting was scheduled for Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm.

**District 16 Update**

**Lauri Laufman**

Lauri said she is on the Task Force with three (3) others regarding the District starting a 0-20 game and a proposal will be presented to the Board shortly so they could move forward.

She said District 16 had joined the 99er Nite Club East game last month. There were 21 clubs that have opted in and they had a record 47 tables.at the Monday evening. game.

Nancy said they were very appreciative of all the major clubs in the Houston and District 16 areas for opting in. She said she would be sending” a push out” within the month to get all smaller clubs involved

**Adjournment**

**Jack LaVigne**

Jacked thanked Thomas and Eric for attending the meeting.

**A Motion to adjourn** was made by Nancy Guthrie- Seconded by Greg May

**Motion carried**



The **April Board Meeting** will be **Tuesday April 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm on Zoom.**

There was no Executive Session.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Gore

Unit 174 Secretary

