



## Memorandum of Discussion

### ACBL Unit 174 Board of Directors Meeting

March 30, 2024

### Tracy Gee Community Center Closed Zoom meeting

#### Call to Order

Karen Nussbaum

President Karen Nussbaum brought the meeting to order at 10 am. Board members present at the meeting were Charles Dalton, John Eric Watson, Sarah Springer, John Du Bose, Nile Gross, Dave Becker, Thomas Rush, Steve Gordon and Paddy Fiorino. "Peaches" Hallie Eads was absent from the meeting.

#### Houston Election Sectional

Karen Nussbaum

CD reported that arrangements had been completed for the caddies, sodas, and prepared lunches. CD will follow-up further with Naomi (Daughters of the Nile). SG will bring cash for needed payments. JW is assisting in the presentation of the slide show presentation. Set-up for the tournament is scheduled for 2 pm Thursday 4/4/24. KN has booked rooms for the directors. KN stated that the current sectional game schedule should be continued for other sectionals this year until attendance warrants otherwise. KN stated arrangements to borrow BridgePads have been completed. 2 vendors are planning to attend per KN. PF relayed that Betty Westbrook is available to assist with flyer preparation for upcoming tournaments; KN expressed gratitude by the board for her assistance. DB inquired re: the sound system to be utilized and KN will contact David Littman this week to get this set up. Dave Glandorf is the scheduled speaker for Friday 4/5/24.

#### October Sectional

Karen Nussbaum



KN stated that representatives from the Woodlands have not returned her contact requests. DB states that both the IAH airport hotel and 2 places in Galveston want to be the host hotel. Board members verbalized preference to Galveston as the as the location, tentatively scheduled 10/25-10/27. DB motioned that Galveston is selected as the site for the October tournament, motion was seconded by SS. Motion passed. DB will follow up with the Galveston hotels for pricing negotiations. DB also inquired re: sanctions for future LSR because of Marriott scheduling for 2027-2029. KN stated sanctions are in place through 2026 currently and can be updated.

### Approval of minutes

Paddy Fiorino

SS motioned that the minutes for the 3/4/24 board meeting which had been previously distributed to the BOD via email be approved. CD seconded the motion. The motion was passed by the board and minutes for 3/4/24 **Were Approved.**

### Policy & Procedural Manual

Sarah Springer

The board discussed several board positions listed in the manual whose tasks have been assumed by various board members. The board deferred modifying this portion of the manual at this time as these may be needed at a future time as board members change. Reimbursement by the unit for club holiday parties was discussed. The board decided to cut reimbursement to one party per club per year. The board decided that clubs must have been closed during the previous LSR to qualify for party reimbursement that year. The motion for these changes was proposed by JW and seconded by DB. The motion was passed and the manual will be updated reflecting these changes.

### Upcoming Board meeting dates

Karen Nussbaum

Next scheduled board meeting is April 8.

### Adjournment

**Motion to adjourn** made by DB. SS seconded. All were in favor.

***Motion carried***

***The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 am.***

Respectfully submitted,

*Paddy Fiorino, Unit 174 Board Secretary*

