

♠ ♥ Unit 174 - HOUSTON ♦ ♣
Memorandum of Discussion
ACBL Unit 174 Board of Directors Meeting
May 2, 2011
Houston Bridge Studio

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by President, Bob Dowlen. Directors present were: Beverly Cheatham, Paul Cuneo, Vice President Joyce Gore, Jolie Hess, Kathey Hughes, Errol LeCesne, and Robert Reichek. Also present were Jim Woodward, Treasurer and Bert Onstott, District 16 Representative.

Minutes of Previous Board Meeting

The minutes of the April 4, 2011 meeting was approved by on-line poll.

Treasurer's Report

Jim Woodward presented the **Unit 174 Balance Sheet**, as of May 1, 2011, showing Total Assets \$127,042.90, with Total Liabilities of \$2,000.00. Jim mentioned that he was working on the unit's income tax filing which is due 5/15/2011. Bob asked Jim to prepare a bill Gore reimbursement.

Motion to accept the report was seconded and approved.

District Report

Bert Onstott had no District news to report. Bert did report that he was working on flyers for upcoming tournaments and the president thanked him for his work, noting "You do good work".

Old Business

April Sectional - Nothing new to report.

Regional Poll of players relative to Free Coffee & Snack Bar was unavailable. Paul assured the board that he was still working on it with the Marriott.

August Sectional - Kathy reported that everything was set and ready to go.

October Sectional - Motion to approve the schedule was seconded and approved.

Membership Retention

It was noted that we are losing members but the reasons are not negative.

Tournament Coordinator Report---ETC

Date for Oct Fall 2012 Sectional is changed to Nov. 9 - 11, in South Shore Harbor thus we need a new name for the tournament.

October 2011 Sectional Tournament Hotel is:

Best Western

7114 Will Clayton Pkwy
Humble, TX 77338
281-548-1402

Rate \$76.50

Cut off date: 10/10/2011

Stafford Sectional contract for June 2012 should be signed next week. The concession stand detailed needs to be worked out.

The president appointed Joyce Gore and Errol LeCesne as co- chairs of the 2012 Stafford Sectional.

It was moved and second that the 2012 Charity Games Recipients will be HOUSTON GROUND ANGELS.

Report on Caddy Compensation Jolie contacted several area clubs/districts and the consensus was

\$35.00 per session. **It was motioned, seconded, and approved to raise the compensation \$10.00 - Caddy \$35.00 and Head Caddy \$50.00 per session.**

More than 300 flyers were mailed out to Unit clubs and Austin, Dallas, and San Antonio.

New Business

President Bob Dowlen announced the following:

Board Assignments - Affirmed Errol as Secretary

New Election Officials - Patricia & Owen Bunn

Publicity Coordinator - Lauri Laufman

Nominating Committee - Arlene Weingarten

It was motioned, seconded, and approved to propose a by-law changes revising the absentee voting procedure and adding electronic voting to the on-site voting at the April Sectional. Note: A Special Meeting and membership vote will be taken at the Sunday August tournament.

Bob will continue working on Mike Lawrence Seminars offered in Houston.

Adjournment: 8:13 PM

Errol LeCesne, Secretary