

Memorandum of Discussion

ACBL Unit 174 Board of Directors Meeting

November 5, 2012

Houston Bridge Studio

Call to order Paul

The meeting was called to order at 7pm. Directors present were: Beverley Cheatham, Paul Cuneo, Chuck Ensor, Jolie Hess, Kathy Hughes, Errol LeCesne, Tom Martinsen, and Nancy Strohmer. Also present was Jim Woodward.

Approval of minutes

Paul

Motion: That the online October minutes be approved.

The motion was seconded and approved.

Treasurer's Report

Jim

Paul

Jim Woodward presented the Treasurer's Report which included **Unit 174 Balance Sheet** as of November 4, 2012, showing Total Current Assets of \$76,002.10. The audit by David Miller's team has begun.

Motion: That the Treasurer's Report be approved.

The motion was seconded and approved.

District Report

Bert was unable to attend but sent his report via email. Membership is up 15 to 2,538 and 14 new members were added to the roster.

Old Business

Lone Star Regional

Paul/Chuck

Chuck is working on the Event Naming. Tom reported that the new boards arrived in addition to the pen sets and stickers. Convention Card holders have not arrived as yet.

April Sectional Paul/Tom



A new schedule was proposed. It was proposed to drop the Friday pm KO and replace it with a 2-session bracketed Swiss. Also, it was proposed to have a Saturday compact KO in the am and then a single-session Swiss in the pm.

Motion: That the proposed schedule be implemented.

The motion was seconded and approved.

Clear Lake Update Chuck/Kathy

Everything is ready.

Planning Meeting Action Items

Paul

1) E-Blast: Nancy emailed 1900+ members the publication for Special Events and Classes. There is much positive feedback—it has been well received.

NAP Beverley

Attendance was down.

GNT Beverley

It will take place early in 2013. Bert has agreed to direct.

STAC

No report.

Bridge in Schools Errol

A principle and teacher in Katy have agreed to offer Bridge as an after-school activity, but they don't have any interested students at this time.

2013 Directory Paul

Bert will have a list at the League City tournament for members to make changes. Speedy Printing has agreed to print the directory for the same price as the last time.

Unit Championships Chuck

We have 24 per year which is a chance to earn extra points. ACBL changed the rules, so we will be having "morning" and "night" games.

Nominating Committee

Paul

We have six candidates. Great job Bob Dowlen and Nominating Committee!

Motion: That the nominees be approved.

The motion was seconded and approved.

Unit Sponsored Lessons

Paul



Paul met with Eddie Wold, Bob Morris, and Shawn Quinn. It was proposed to have the three professionals during the first weekend in May, 2013, give three sessions of lessons on May 4 and 5 and then have a game on May 5 afternoon. Each lesson would cost \$50 and if a participant attended all three lessons, then the game on May 5 would be free. Otherwise, it would cost \$10 for the game. 75% of the revenues would go to the pros. 25% would go to the unit to the extent of covering expenses. If there is surplus, that would go back to the pros. There would be a drawing at each lesson...the lucky draw would play with one of the pros at the May 5 game.

Motion: That the May 4-5 weekend be held with the local pros.

The motion was seconded and approved.

Sectional Tournament Schedule

Paul/Chuck

A schedule was given through 2015.

New Business

None.

Executive Session

The board was in executive session for 1 minute.

Future Meeting dates

The next meeting will be held on Monday, December 3, at 10am in the library at Tracy Gee's.

Adjourn

Motion: That the meeting be adjourned.

The motion was seconded and approved at 7:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Strohmer, Secretary

