



Memorandum of Discussion

ACBL Unit 174 Board of Directors Meeting

May 8, 2024

Zoom meeting, part 2 of monthly meeting

Call to Order

Sarah Springer

President Sarah Springer brought the meeting to order at 5 pm. Board members present at the meeting were John Eric Watson, John Du Bose, Nile Gross, Dave Becker, Karen Nussbaum, and Paddy Fiorino. "Peaches" Hallie Eads, James Sells, Linda McReynolds, and Steve Gordon were absent from the meeting.

June Sectional

Nile Gross

NG stated that the lunches have been confirmed with Shriners, he has also purchased the drinks. KN reported later in the meeting that she had just spoken with the Marriott representative, and rooms for the 3 directors have been reserved/confirmed.

Tournament Coordinator

Dave Becker

DB stated future Shriner tournaments for 2025 are pending signatures/board approval; he should receive the contracts tomorrow. KN will obtain sanctions once dates are confirmed on these contracts.

StaC/NAP/GNT/New Life Master

John Watson

JW stated plaques have been ordered for the new Life Masters.



I/N Coordinator**John Watson**

SS stated that LM will be assisting JW as an I/N coordinator.

Supplies**Dave Becker, John Du Bose**

JD stated supplies will be delivered 6/6 for the June sectional. DB stated an inventory will be completed at that time.

Membership**Hallie Eads**

SS will send an email to HE to get a report on the 5/5/5 program status.

Club Manager's Report**Paddy Fiorino**

The April report received from Greg May is as follows:

May 7—4 tables at FLM unit 174 game

April 1 thru April 30, 2024 – 21 tables

Mar 1 thru March 31, 2024—18 tables

Feb 1 thru Feb 29, 2024—15 tables

Jan 1 thru Jan 31, 2024—13 tables

As of May 7, the following table counts are noted:

2024—71 (note ACBL raised table rate from \$3 to \$5 in late 2023)

2023—190

2022—207

2021—171

639 total tables to date

August Sectional**John Watson**

SS stated Betty Westbrook has prepared a draft of the flyer. The adjustment of the "A" strat to 4000 MP needs to be corrected on the flyer. JW will coordinate with the Daughters of the Nile to order the lunches. KN stated she is working on hiring persons for clean-up after the sectional(s). DB and JD stated the delivery company will also pack up and they will follow-up to get pricing and more details. The board discussed possibly changing the start time for Sunday with no decision reached today. JW is to assign chairpersons; ambassadors for the tournament are also planned.

October Sectional**Dave Becker**

DB stated the buffet will be available all days at Moody Gardens. SS stated the contract for this tournament was approved by email by the board. She will sign it



so that DB can deliver the contract and deposit to Moody Gardens. Betty Westbrook is working on the flyer. Ambassadors are planned.

Lone Star Regional

Sarah Springer

Betty Westbrook is working on the flyer. The Soloway has been eliminated. Chairpersons need to be assigned.

District Representative Report

Karen Nussbaum

KN stated her committee is reviewing several incoming charity requests.

Adjournment

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

Motion carried

The meeting was adjourned at 5:41 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Paddy Fiorino, Unit 174 Board Secretary

