

Board Meeting, Unit 356, February 10, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Barry Abrahams at the Adobe Bridge Club at 11:15 AM.

Present: Barry Abrahams, Adair Karlin, Joan Merrill, Lee Toomey, Steve Reynolds, Carolyn Reynolds, Bill Schelstrate, Darwin Afdahl

Absent: Marge Curvin

Report of Officers

1. Secretary: After correcting a couple of clerical errors, a motion was made to approve January's minutes by Lee Toomey, seconded by Adair Karlin. All approved.
2. Treasurer's Report:
Carolyn had sent out the full report to the Board prior to the Board meeting. Attendance was up at the last tournament. Consequently, we broke out even. We received the semi-annual reimbursement from ACBL in the amount of \$2,900.
3. District 17 Representative Report:
Darwin had sent out a synopsis of the District 1 Board Meeting held in Albuquerque on 1/26/13, to the Board, prior to the meeting.
Here are some of the things he highlighted at our meeting.
Units are requested to check annual rosters for deceased members. To encourage participation in 2013, D17 will pay the entry fees for D17 Flight C players at the district finals for NAP (North American Pairs), and GNT (Grant National Pairs). The district will pay \$90/regional to have bridge results posted on Bridgeresults.net They are posted shortly after each session and can be accessed on your computer or smart phone. This can be used for sectionals as well. Darwin needs nominations for the Goodwill Committee By June 1. Darwin recommended that we announce when & where the next Regional Tournament is being held at our next Regional Tournament.

Congratulations to Darwin for being elected President of District 17.

Committee Reports:

1. Membership Report:
The directory needs to be updated removing deceased members. Lee will ask Doris Kuzmak about updating the members from Green Valley. Barry will call Quick Print about the format of the directory.
2. Tournaments:
Steve reported that the NLM tournament was down by approximately 130 tables. We lost \$3000. Two rooms were rented for the tournament compared to 900 rooms rented for the Regional. Steve suggested that we have one Nat'l director & two local directors at the next NLM tournament to save money. He also recommended at increasing the cost of per Swiss Team entry to \$100 per team.

Steve & Barry both said that they have received many calls about the Cactus Flower NLM Regional, regarding whether gold points will be awarded. Due to the fact that no gold points will be awarded we will have a problem with attendance.

The president of ACBL, Donald Mamula, will attend the NLM Tournament in February. He will be attending lectures to answer questions. The Board is taking him out to dinner on 2/22 at the Zayna Restaurant at 5:30.

3. Tournament Co-ordinator Report: No report
4. Club Manager: Joan reported that the Unit wide results will be available shortly.
5. Hospitality: No Report
6. Education:
Adair reported that speakers for the NLM Tournament are all set. Darwin has agreed to be a speaker at the April Sectional. Adair is looking for suggestions for more speakers at future tournaments.
7. Publicity: Barry reported that everything is up to date.
8. I/N Representative:
No report, but suggestions were made as to who might take over this position.
9. Caddy Master: No Report

Unfinished Business:

We still need an I/N Rep and someone to fill the open Board slot.

New business: We need new cards for the Swiss Team events.

Next Meeting: March 3 at Las Candelas Bridge Club at 11 AM

Respectfully submitted,
Lee Toomey
Unit 356 Secretary