

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 1, 2015 UNIT 356 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

President Barry Abrahams called the meeting to order at 11:02 AM at the Las Candelas Bridge Club. Barry Abrahams, Darwin Afdahl, Ann Hinge, Judson Jones, Adair Karlin, Ann Lamont, Joan Merrill, Jane Pendley, Steve Reynolds and Cindy Shoemaker were present.

1. The minutes of the January 4, 2015 meeting were approved as submitted.
2. Cindy Shoemaker, the new I/N Representative, was introduced.
3. Darwin Afdahl reminded us that the next Tucson Regional, after the February, 2015 one, will be in 2017. There was a discussion of possible ways to improve attendance. Suggestions included changing times, adjusting events, and taking a survey of the membership by email, paper surveys at the clubs or a random phone sample.
4. Steve Reynolds gave the treasurer's report for Carolyn. The net January income was \$2955.
5. As Tournament Chair, Steve reported that the hotel rate for the next sectional at the Clarion would be \$79. In looking for another venue, he reported that the Radisson is building a new ballroom. Regarding the Regional, Bonnie Bagley may take photos. Judd said the caddies have been scheduled and will wear dark pants and shirts. We will supply ties for them. Special events will include dinner with Becky Rogers for the NLM's who win the drawing and a reception for the District 17 and Unit 356 Boards. Barry will send invitations to others who should be included but are not on either board.
6. Judd reported that he is teaching 28 fifth graders at Anna Henry Elementary School on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 until 10:00. Adair passed out the list of speakers for the evenings at the Regional. Jeff Roman will give the lunch time talks every day.
7. Cindy has sent a letter of introduction to NLM's and has introduced herself at games. Flyers re. NLM benefits at the Regional are available at the clubs. There will be an NLM Regional in the fall. Barry is looking into the possibility of having more sectionals.
8. Ann Hinge announced that new members who do not want to be in the directory may opt out.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:11 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Jane Pendley