

MINUTES OF THE 178 BOARD MEETING ON Saturday, September 25, 2010

Meeting was called to order by President Marv Riedesel at 9:30 am. Board members present were Vicky Smith, Linda Brammer, Sue Jackson, Mike Cassel, and Diane Henson. Also present was Historian and Advisor, Steve Gaynor; I/N Coordinator, Nita Fronk; State Sectional co-chair and NAP coordinator Verda Gould; State Sectional co-chair Kathy Beckman

Approval of Minutes: Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the August 21, 2010, meeting; motion carried.

Treasurer Report: Vicky Smith reported total assets of \$31,263.53. Motion was made and seconded to approve the treasurer's report; motion carried.

Tournament Reports:

Minnesota State: Verda and Kathy reported that flyers have been sent to many clubs. Local clubs have donated free plays as door prizes for I/N players. Mystic has donated buffet passes as door prizes. Kathy has purchased convention card holders to sell.

2011 Regional: Patti is planning to hold a meeting of the regional planning committee during the Unit 103 October sectional. The event scheduling sub committee has a proposed schedule to present to the committee.

NAP: A list of qualifiers is posted on the bulletin board at the TCBC. The Board directed Marv to contact Wayne Gergen and recommend that enough boards be available to allow for two sections in Flight B so that pairs play as many boards in common as possible.

GNT: District 14 board approved a motion to segregate table fees from Unit finals to be distributed to District final winners, up to \$100 per player, if the winners played in a unit final. This incentive would have given 5 of this year's winners an additional \$100. Winning teams would have received \$125 less (\$31/player).

Education: Brendan Byrne has accepted the position of education (youth) coordinator.

Intermediate/Newcomer: Nita Fronk and the board discussed the needs of new players. Linda Brammer and Sue Jackson will work on a Welcome to Duplicate Bridge brochure. Nita will survey day time 299er players to assess their interest in extra point games.

Properties: Linda is in contact with the duplicating machine manufacturer regarding maintenance. Unit 103 has asked Linda to be their property manager. 103 is recovering 50 tables.

District Meeting Report: District 14 is redesigning its web site. The district reviewed the ACBL procedures we can follow regarding financial issues such as "insufficient funds" checks.

Old Business:

A. Long Range Planning Meeting: About 20 people have agreed to attend so far.

New Business:

A. Diane reported on her investigation into email services. It was moved and seconded that Diane test a new email service and investigate costs. Motion carried.

B. Review of the election process is postponed until the next meeting.

C. We will meet with the 103 Board on Saturday, Oct. 9, at 6 pm. Topics include properties and the number and quality of sectional tournaments.

D. Steve Gaynor worked with Teri to schedule three limited masterpoint tournaments in 2011. They could not find a workable date for the 4th tournament.

E. Teri will obtain portable Handicap Parking signs for use at large events. Teri will obtain the church's calendar of events prior to our setting dates for large events.

F. Next board meetings: Saturdays, October 23 and December 11, at 9:30 am.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 11:30 pm.

Submitted by recording secretary Susan Jackson.