

MINUTES OF THE ACBL UNIT 547 BOARD MEETING
January 30, 2016 4 P.M

Present: Dennis Charles, Dagmar Ragnow, Tom Kline, Evelyn Fox, Judy Kupperman, Susan Lang, John Anderson and Rose Buckley

1. President Dennis Charles called the meeting to order at 4 PM. This was an ad hoc meeting of the newly elected 2016 Board Members after the Unit Annual Meeting at the Ventura Townhouse. The 2016 board is: Dennis Charles, Judy Kupperman, Dagmar Ragnow, Susan Lang, Tom Kline, Ken Thompson, Susan Lang, John Anderson and Rose Buckley
2. Dennis passed out ACBL's latest list of Unit 547 officials in their database. The following people will remain in their current positions: President (Dennis), Vice President (Judy), Treasurer (Dagmar) and Membership Chair (Tom Kline). Rose will assume the role as Secretary.
3. The 2016 board meeting schedule will remain on the 1st Thursday of each month at 11:15 at the Temple Beth Torah. The next board meeting is February 4th. The main agenda will be the Wednesday games.
4. Web Page. There was agreement that the 1st page of our Unit Web Site needs to be regularly maintained. There needs to be a mechanism for "feeding" Ken Thompson, our Webmaster, up dated material. Susan volunteered to provide him with that.
5. It was proposed that the Unit buy a white board and its supplies (erasers, pens). The board agreed. Discussion on whether we also need a combined white board / easel or use our present wooden easel. Susan will look into the cost and report back at the next board meeting.
6. John Anderson mentioned that after he joined ACBL, he received no further communication from ACBL for a year. ACBL needs to be more proactive and welcoming to new members.
7. There was a discussion of having a common email list which can be used for newsletters and unit announcements (like new or rescheduled games. Susan and Rose will work the issue offline and report back recommendations to the board.
8. Wednesday Game. There was discussion on changing our current Wednesday game to a 0-49 game and a 0-750 game and whether the 0-750 game should include Life Masters. She mentioned Tom Ciacio should be able to tell us how many 0-750 Life Masters our club has. We will try it out these games for 3 months and see how it goes. The announcement will be made after Susan and Rose get the particulars organized. In the meantime, the 299er and Ladies Game will continue.
9. Saturday Beginning Duplicate Game. This game was proposed at the Annual meeting and well received by attending members. Susan and Rose will work on the details for presentation to the board.
10. Dennis adjourned the meeting at 4:15P.M. The next board meeting will be held on Thursday, Feb 4, 2016.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rose Buckley, Secretary