

MINUTES OF THE ACBL UNIT 547 BOARD MEETING
June 1, 2017, 11:15 A.M

Board Members Present: John Anderson, Rose Buckley, Joan Cathcart, Dennis Charles, Susan Lang, Dagmar Ragnow Morgan, Josh Rosenbluth. Invited Guests: Tom Ciacio, Raeann Koerner

1. President, Dennis Charles, called the meeting to order at 11:15 am.
2. The board reviewed and approved the minutes of the May 4, 2017 board meeting.
3. Dagmar distributed the Treasurer's report for April 2017. She also handed out her new report showing year-over-year accounting for our 2015, '16, '17 spring sectionals as well as 2016, 2017 499er sectionals. Our 2017 spring sectional showed double the profit over the prior year. This is due to increased attendance and lower expenses at the new site. The April 2017 month-end income from operations reflects the profit from our Feb and March 2017 sectionals. Our hospitality expense for regular Temple games is approximately \$50 per month. The board thanked Joan for doing a great job managing this hospitality. Susan mentioned that Carolyn Price brings many home-baked items without wanting reimbursement. Susan will thank her in the next edition of Bridge Buzz. The Treasurer's reports were approved.
4. Tom Ciacio submitted the May 2017 Club Attendance report. Unique player attendance is up. Rose asked about holding Charity games. Tom C. said this has been tried in the past and was met with little interest.
5. The master point limit for our Wednesday 1249er game was raised to 1500 – approved by the board via email. Susan created a new flyer for posting.
6. Susan asked for input for Aug. 12 game themes. Book sale, garage sale ideas were suggested among others. Susan / Joan will finalize the "theme" offline. Susan shared a thank you note from Elaine McAdams for the Seis de Mayo game. Famous pairs will be highlighted for the June 10th Partnership Appreciation theme game. Josh reported that Denise will extend the PVRPD rental hours to 4:30 for this game. The board approved having a drawing for a free play during the theme games to be used on any non-theme Saturday game. July 1 is the "Ice Cream Social Americana" theme game. Susan will be out-of-town. Joan and Rose agreed to handle it.
7. Twilight summer games. Sign-ups are in progress. Susan reported there were mixed reviews. Those that showed interest in a non-master point social game prefer not to play in a duplicate game. Raeann will promote the games at the Bridge Academy.
8. Dennis reported on the "policy" status of player injuries. See April 2017 minutes for the incident in question. Dennis contacted Richard Fox (Unit Recorder). Dennis wrote a response letter to Pam Small, Temple President, and a letter to the player involved asking for his cooperation in the future. We do not need an additional written policy. The game director has the right to refuse service / eject any player from a game. It is also ACBL's policy that anyone who is bleeding must leave the room and get it corrected before re-entering the game area.
9. Our spring sectional will be held on April 20-22, 2018. Per Josh, tournament chair, the rental agreement with PVRPD (auditorium) has been signed. PVRPD cannot quote an exact price until October of this year. An advance deposit will be required. Tom C. will be the director in charge.
10. Raeann, 2017 Fall Sectional tournament chair, announced it will be held on Sep. 30. Space has been reserved. Basic Tourney Trax info has been input. She'd like to have the flyers ready for the Long Beach tournament early July. Rose will send her a copy of the prior year's flyer, "model" schedule, and any other data she might need.
11. Further discussion on unit player directory. Bob Gruber publishes it in even years. Perhaps an errata sheet showing corrections in odd years. Suggestion that Ken Thompson's master list of club players be used as input to Bob, since folks are reporting corrections to Ken throughout the year.
12. The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 pm. Our next board meeting is Thursday, July 6, 2017.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rose Buckley, VUBC Secretary