

## Board Minutes- ACBL Unit 380

Date: August 16, 2018

Time: 3:55pm

Place: Belton Bridge Center

Present: Norman Duttweiler (President), Robert Francis, Dave Gose. Alison Mann, Linda Randall, John Randall

Absent: Julie Reiser

**Minutes:** Motion to approve minutes of the May 2018 meeting was made by Linda, seconded by Robert. Minutes were approved. They were placed on the bulletin board and will be sent to Bob Kimball for placement on the website, and to Larry Gioannini.

**Treasurer's Report:** Robert sent four documents to Board members via email before the meeting: 1) Profit and Loss Statement, January 2018 through July 2018, with a comparison to the same period in 2017. Summary: Net income is higher in 2018. 2) Profit and Loss Statement for July 2018 compared to July 2017. Summary: Net income is higher in 2018. 3) A table count form comparing Jan. –July 2018 to the same period in 2017. Summary: A slight decrease in number of tables from 2017 to 2018, and 4) A comparison of the new fee schedule (from \$6.-\$7.00/person/game) for May, June and July 2018. Summary: The Directors and the Club have gained financially from this change.

Moved by Linda, seconded by John to accept all four documents as the Treasurer's Report. Motion passed. Robert posted these financial statements on the Bulletin Board.

**Insurance:** Robert received a letter from Foremost indicating that they were no longer going to provide insurance for the building since they are no longer operating in NM. However, The Hartford has taken over the business, and Robert received a quote from our insurance agent indicating that the insurance will be \$75. less with this new carrier. Moved by Alison, seconded by Dave to pursue the Hartford as the building's next insurance carrier. Motion passed. Robert will contact the insurance agent.

### **Status Updates:**

- a. The reports of results at the end of each hand on the scoring machines have been eliminated. People seem to have accepted this change without opposition.
- b. Battery backup for the computer has been tested and is working fine.
- c. Robert Todd workshop. Help will be needed. Alison needs to write a press release for the Bulletin. Gary and Alison will provide a list of tasks for that day, and Board will help to fill the tasks and ask other members to do so as well. There is a District Tournament in Colorado that weekend which will effect participation. The Manns will provide the lunch.
- d. A note of thanks will be sent to Molly Evetts by the Secretary for Molly's generous contribution for individual member's name pins.

**City Plans vis a vis Apodaca Development:** Linda and John and Norman met with Dave Weir who is in charge of LC City Planning. BBC is in the center of the plan. Mr. Weir assured them that the BBC property would not be taken and the BBC would not have to move. However, the front of the building may need to be refurbished to fit in with the Southwest motif of the whole development. It was suggested that the

architect for the buildings in the development, Steve Newby, be contacted to have a sense of what type of external changes of the building would be required. Robert suggested the Club might be able to get a grant to cover the expenses for these changes. Norman, Linda and John will get in touch with Steve Newby.

**Physical Plant:** Dave suggested that there were several things that could be done to improve the looks of the BBC including shrubbery, a mural, a fence etc. Dave, Linda, John will form a committee, asking Larry Gioannini to join them in making suggestions for improvements.

Roof: Other maintenance issues included the roof and who would maintain it. Concern was expressed that there may be a safety issue doing this task in the future. Dave currently brushes off the roof and hoses it down, (Norman also helped) and is willing to continue to do minor roof maintenance. Major roof repairs will probably need to be done every 8 years. The last major roof repair was completed in May, 2016.

Weeds in the parking lot and around the building need to be eliminated. Robert and Norman suggested that Extreme Landscaping was a firm that was reasonable and efficient. Robert will contact Extreme Landscaping.

New Ice Machine: Is the machine defective or is it a problem of the people using it? Robert believes that people raise or lower the lever that controls the ice, and that the door is being opened and left open frequently. There is no leak in the machine. Robert will monitor.

New Chairs: Sharon Wooden has expressed an interest in leaving a contribution to BBC in her will, but would like it to be for a particular needed purchase. Chairs were brought up again, and the Board agreed that 100 new chairs would be something that the BBC could use. Billie Edington will be asked by Robert to look into the price and design of the chairs. They would need to be stackable, be able to bear the weight of 300 pounds, be armless, and sturdy. Once Billie shows suggestions and prices to the Board even by email, Sharon can be approached with the suggestions.

New Table Covers: The Club has many table covers in the closet. Evelyn Colson washes the table covers. When we want different ones placed on the tables (usually for tournaments), Evelyn is the go-to person. Resolved.

Inserts in the Bridge Boxes- Linda discovered several new inserts in the closet but about 12 tables more (48 inserts) are needed to replace faded and torn inserts. A purchase of this type could be taken from the Memorial Fund. Linda and John will order them.

Convention card protectors: Originally were sold at \$3. / protector. People are often using a book with the protector as cover. Several discarded protectors are on the table. Linda will look into cost and ordering a minimal amount to be sold to those interested.

#### **Personnel Discussion:**

Email blasts: Currently Larry Gioannini sends eblasts. We need a backup. Suggestion was made to have Bob Kimball take on this role. Robert will ask Bob.

Thanking people for Unit game food: Board members responsible for hosting the Unit games should, at the beginning of the game, announce and thank those who bring food.

Officers for next year: Three members of the Board will be leaving the Board on December 31, 2018...Dave, Robert, and Alison. Norman will appoint a nominating committee to fill these vacancies. Several suggestions were made for new candidates and potential officers were discussed.

Disgruntled players: Should we be concerned about safety of other players from disgruntled players? Should we have a special alarm button? Safety issue highly improbable. We have cell phones close. Resolved.

Unit Potluck Games: Next game will be November 11<sup>th</sup> with a Fall theme.

Saturday Game Rent: Currently people pay \$4./member for participation in Sat. game. No rent is being paid to the Club. Suggestion was made to increase fee to \$5./member, and for Director to pay **\$3./per table** for rent. Board thought this was a good idea. John will inform Sat. Directors.

Beginners Bridge: John will start a class of Beginner's bridge with 2 sessions/ week. The first 2 sessions will be Sept. 18th and Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>. This is for brand new players. For intermediate people, Roy holds a class on Wednesday morning at 10am.

ACBL suggested activities: Our club doesn't participate in many club activities offered by the ACBL to encourage participation in various events. Linda will bring a list of those activities to the Board for further discussion.

**Next Board Meeting: September 26, 2018 at 4pm. At the BBC.** . Board meetings are open to membership and an announcement of the date and time will be placed on the website.

**Adjournment:** Dave moved and Robert seconded to adjourn meeting. Approved. Meeting was adjourned at 5:30pm.

Submitted,

Alison Mann, Secretary