MINUTES OF THE 2019 WASHINGTON BRIDGE LEAGUE ANNUAL MEETING MAY 16, 2019

The 2019 WBL Annual Meeting was called to order by WBL President Linda Marshall at 7:10 pm.

Minutes of the 2018 WBL Annual Meeting

The minutes of the 2018 WBL Annual Meeting were approved by acclamation.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer, Herb Schulken, announced that for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2018, the WBL had a profit of \$1,700, net of the write-off of the cost of its new dealing machine. In addition, WBL purchased ten new sets of boards in December 2018 in response to District Six's decision to no longer provide supplies for WBL sectionals. Absent those non-recurring items, WBL would have shown a profit in excess of \$7,000 for 2018. Much of that is the direct result of eliminating most free plays and increasing entry fees by \$1.00 a person. WBL also made a profit at each of its Sectionals in 2018, and got off to a strong start in 2019 with at least \$1,600 in profit for the January sectional. The January 2019 Sectional's financial success is due largely to increased attendance. The WBL bank accounts have a balance of approximately \$45,000. The report was approved by acclamation.

Copies of financial reports are available online at www.washingtonbridgeleague.org. Those who have a question with respect to WBL's financial reports should contact Herb Schulken or any other WBL Board member.

Amendments to WBL's Constitution

Steve Robinson objected to discussing this agenda item citing the provisions of Article X.1 of the Constitution which require that adequate notice of the proposed amendments be given to the membership. As a result, the meeting decided to postpone discussion of the proposed amendments to a future date.

Elections of WBL Officers and Directors

Linda turned the meeting over to Ellen Cherniavsky, Election Chairperson. Ellen presented the nominations received from petitions and from the floor for officers and directors. All were elected by acclamation as follows:

Officers: Linda Marshall, President, Hadi Abushakra, Vice President, Eileen Inglesby-Houghton, Secretary; and Herb Schulken, Treasurer.

Directors (for a 2-year term): Carole Banks, Charles Dearolf and Clyde Kruskal.

Ace of Clubs and Mini-McKenney Awards

Ellen turned the meeting back to Linda who then announced the Ace of Clubs and Mini-McKenney award winners.

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Submitted by Hadi Abushakra, Vice President