

**Palm Springs Unit 533 of the ACBL
Monday, February 3, 2020
Temple Sinai**

Board Members Present: Sandy Hertz
Bill Dani, Treasurer
Judy Searle
Martin Frank
Anne Lund
Sigi Braverman
Bonnie Sipkins
Georgia Jones
Paola Cohen (absent)
Joy Barron (absent)

Guests Present: Scott Magged
Susan Tracey
Darren Palmer
William Stine
Nancy Erickson

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Sandy Hertz at 9:04 am.

MINUTES: The minutes were approved with amendments. The motion was made by Judy Searle and seconded by Anne Lund. The motion passed.

OFFICERS FOR 2020 YEAR:

President: Sandy Hertz	Vice President: Judy Searle
Secretary: Georgia Jones	Treasurer: Bill Dani
Electronic Contact: Paola Cohen	Tournament Coordinator: Martin Frank
Education Chair: Anne Lund	Webmaster: Mac Becket
STaC Coordinator: Sandy Hertz	Publicity Chair: Vicki Graves
Business Manage: Bill Dani	
Hospitality Chair/Charity Chair: Joy Barron	
Membership Chair/IN Coordinator: Paola Cohen	

Bank Signees: President: Sandy Hertz, Vice President: Judy Searle, Treasurer: Bill Dani.

TREASURER: Bill Dani reported that the total in the Unit 533 bank account is \$24,420.89. The balance in the WIN account is \$14,670.

Unit 533 will continue to run a deficit if it does not receive some revenue. Sectionals are the only way to increase the income and the participant count has gone down each year.

MEMBERSHIP: There are 1,099 members at this time. It was suggested the Membership Chairman write a welcome letter to each new member. The letter would contain information about classes being offered and the locations of the open and limited games.

EDUCATION: It was announced there are new owners of the Mission Hills Bridge Club at Jocelyn Center: David Goetz and Robert Rodriguez. A clarification was made about the lessons offered new bridge students. The criteria are as follows: Teachers receive a stipend for teaching a beginning class. There is \$3,000 available and may be applied for by three clubs (\$1,000 each). Teachers need to be ACBL certified. The criteria of \$50 dollars for each student as long as the student attends a certain number of sessions. The goal is to retain the students at the bridge clubs.

FUTURE SECTIONALS: There was a committee established to determine the best way to award Sectional Tournaments. Judy Searle shared the committee's findings. A set of guidelines and responsibilities were established. It was moved by Georgia Jones and seconded by Anne Lund to approve Sectional Requirements on a temporary basis, with corrections a complete list will be emailed to the Board. The motion passed. There will be a procedure for clubs to follow to request to have a Sectional. The Board will maintain one or two Sectionals a year. The board Tournament Chair, Martin Frank, is the person to contact for all questions.

SPING SECTIONAL: A discussion was held to determine a plan of action if the Duncan Bridge Club's new building was not completed by February 14, 2020. A definite answer will be given Tuesday evening, February, 11, 2020. If the Duncan new site is not available, the Board will have an emergency meeting to make alternate plans.

UNIT WIDE GAMES: It was moved by Martin Frank and seconded by Georgia Jones to terminate the Unit games for this year and to replace them with Unit games. The motion passed. For clubs to qualify, they must have a minimum of 5 tables. The contact Board member for Unit Games is Martin Frank.

SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT IN FEBRUARY: Assignments were given to Board Members.

The next Board Meeting will be at Temple Sinai on Monday, March 2 at 9:00 am.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05.

Respectfully Submitted,
Georgia Jones , Secretary