

UNIT 533  
MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2016 AT 9:00 AM  
AT DUNCAN BRIDGE CENTER

**Board Members Present:** President Nance Lodge, William Stine, Sally Corey, Mac Becket, Susan Tracey, Jane Witous, Jim Lopes and Don Freeland (via conference call). Bill Dani, treasurer present

**Guests:** Bev Hardin, Scott Magged Nancy Erickson and Ron Erickson

#### CALL TO ORDER

President Nance Lodge called the meeting to order at 9:09 AM.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Board meeting held on September 14, 2016 were approved unanimously.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Bill Dani reviewed receipts and disbursements recorded since our last board meeting and the updated budget. The balance as of 10/12/16 was \$23,904.17. The report was unanimously approved.

*Moved/Jim, Seconded/Jane*

#### WEBSITE STATUS

- Old website will be maintained until it is unnecessary to use any longer
- Roster needs to be updated so that email blasts reach all members
- Will provide a way to omit those members who do not wish to receive emails
- Nance suggested a tutorial after a bridge game to help those members that want to learn to use the website well
- Scott Magged has a document that can help with the tutorial

#### HARVEST SECTIONAL

- Thursday, November 3 board members will set up at 4:45 PM.
- Sandwiches will be sold for lunch on Friday and Saturday
- Pasta lunches from Mario's will be sold on Sunday
- Bev Hartin will have the soda machine replenished prior to the Sectional
- Scott Magged will supply the boards
- DBC will supply the bidding boxes
- DBC has 99 tables. The Board will supply 10 more.
- Danielle will be caddy for all three days

#### AFTER TOURNAMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

- There is no automatic system to create a questionnaire
- Nance will check on emailing questionnaires—it is possible to use email from Live Results. Mac moved to not use a questionnaire, Sally seconded, Don opposed. Motion approved.

#### SPRING SECTIONAL renamed SUN AND FUN SECTIONAL

- Final flyer approved with corrections noted
- Don moved that the flyer not be printed until the next meeting. There was no second.

#### UNIT GAMES

Jim presented tentative schedule for the 2017 Unit Games.

## ANNUAL MEETING

- Susan presented Karen Michael, Marsha Kraushaar, Donna Darvey and Barbara Maniscalco for approval for the Board's nominating committee. Approved unanimously.
- Ron Erickson will serve as chairperson for the Annual Meeting. His Election Committee will include: Nancy Erickson, Carol McConnell and Barbara Stanton.

## BYLAW REVISIONS

Don submitted revisions to bylaws Articles I, VI, and VII. It was determined that there was not enough time to visit these revisions and get them on the next ballot.

## DISCUSSION OF UNIT 533 AWARDS

Mac presented a list of all the awards that have been presented in the past. The following awards will be maintained and were unanimously approved by the Board.

- *Lucy Mitchell Award* for the overall masterpoint winner at the *Sun And Fun Sectional* (previously the Spring Sectional)
- Add an *Audrey Currie Award* (if the Currie family approves and agrees) to be presented to the overall masterpoint winner of the *Harvest Sectional* (Nance and David Lodge would sponsor)
- *The Barbara Mondo Memorial Award* for the 299er masterpoint winner at the *Sun and Fun Sectional*
- Add a yet-to-be-named 299er masterpoint winner award for the *Harvest Sectional*
- *The Nancy and Ron Erickson Volunteer Award*

Jane will chair the Unit 533 Awards Committee. She and Mac will go the storage area and see what plaques and trophies are there that have been used for these awards. It is to be determined if any of them are to be used for future winners and where they might be displayed for the Unit to see.

## CONTINUING EDUCATION

Susan led a discussion as to how the Unit can contribute to bridge education in the Coachella Valley. After discussing funding/subsidizing basic bridge classes, the Board authorized up to \$3000 for bridge education in 2017 with the option of additional funds if found to be appropriate.

Susan will report back on ideas and methods for supporting bridge education for beginners.

## NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Unit 533 Board meeting will be held on November 9, 2016 at the Duncan Bridge Center at 9:00 AM.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Dated \_\_\_\_\_