Adobe Bridge Center Regular Board Meeting Minutes July 21, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 4 PM via Zoom. Barry Abrahams presiding.

In attendance were board members: Barry Abrahams, Pam Krisak, Joan Merrill, Julie O'Neill, Claudette Perier, Eric Swanson, Ram Sundaresan and, joining later, Pauline Pettinato. Also attending was Lee Erdman, Club Manager.

Pam Krisak was appointed to serve as recording secretary for this session.

Acceptance of June 16, 2020 was moved by Claudette Perier and seconded. The motion passed.

Manager's Report – Lee Erdman

- Table count status for Adobe on-line play is good with NLM play up in tables.
- There has been an issue with long time Adobe players being blocked. Lee is in touch with ACBL to resolve.
- Lee reported an issue with players not posting convention cards or alerting. The use of alert and convention cards will be re-enforced. Barry will send a blast addressing the issue.
- The first Virtual Mentor Game held June 24, 2020 was a success. The next mentor game will be August 19. Lee thinks we should consider holding a monthly mentor game.
- Lee addressed engaging more regular Adobe players to play on-line. A discussion ensued as to who has been contacted and success in encouraging online play. Lee would like to see more Adobe playing in our virtual games. To that end Lee suggested adding another game in the Morning. The game will be a limited point game on Monday morning start prior to 9:45 AM so players have time to play in an afternoon game.
- A need for back-up directors was discussed. Lee will be following-up to obtain a commitment from part-time directors to fill-in.
- Swiss team games ACBL/BBO is working on the ability to hold club Swiss events but not ready
 yet.

Committee Reports

Conduct and Ethics: Joan Merrill and Barry Abrahams – Several issues with slow play have been reported. One NLM player has had complaints and adjusted boards over several games. Barry Abrahams volunteered to draft a letter to the player. Several board members offered to "tutor" the player. There was a report of an illegal opening at an Open game. Lee Erdman will contact the player to discuss the issue.

Education: Ram Sundaresan and Barry Abrahams – Attendance at Adobe classes has waned but remains strong. Classes should have at least 10 students to be financially viable.

May 2020 Financials

Ram Sundaresan, Treasurer, reported that the club is financially stable with online play and class income providing for expenses. Two special games' income goes directly to the Building Fund.

A motion was made by Ram S. "If online games have 5 tables or less the club will collect a minimum of \$25.00 with the remainder of the revenue being paid to the Director". The motion was seconded and passed.

Jim Click raffle: 100 tickets remain to be sold and needs to be reinvigorated. Barry A. will send an email blast.

Website/Calendar – Claudette P. Is taking a break as Webmaster. Barry A. will fill in.

New Business:

NLM Representative: Pam Krisak, Board NLM Representative, has been appointed to serve the remaining term of Linda Grissom who resigned as of June 30, 2020. Pam K. is searching for an NLM Rep replacement.

Leasing Casita: The board is generally in favor of leasing the Casita if not required for in person lessons. Barry A. is purchasing some items to provide for needs as recommended by CDC to mitigate spread of the pandemic.

Adjournment: Eric Swanson moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 PM. The motion passed. Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela Krisak Acting Secretary