

Asheville Bridge Room Board Meeting
February 21, 2024

Members present: Ed Euler, Lisa Bryant, Nick Frost, Sarah Manow, Elaine Colokathis, Sylvia Cassel

Absent: Michele Heller, Simon Sellers

President Ed Euler called the meeting to order at 11:00.

Secretary's Report – Lisa Bryant made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 24, 2024 meeting and Elaine Colokathis seconded it. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Year-end Report -

Elaine Colokathis presented the Profit and Loss statement and the monthly income and expenses which showed a loss of \$6,790, which included equipment purchased for the Club, including a new computer and the rolling storage cart used for the games.

Old Business

Education/Instruction Status - Wayne Dow will continue his review of Friday bridge hands via Zoom when he returns in mid-March. Having other experienced members give talks before scheduled games is also being considered.

Plaques for Life Masters – Sarah Manow has uploaded representations of the Plaques for Life Masters on the website. She has created a new website page for those names that have been added since 2020 and will keep it up to date.

Calendar/Special Games –

The Friday, April 19th game will not be cancelled during the Gatlinburg tournament, April 15-21, 2024. Directors will canvas the Monday and Wednesday game players to see if there will be enough players to maintain those games in Asheville during the tournament. The website calendar will be updated to indicated games or closings.

The next Mentor/Mentee game is scheduled for Wednesday, March 27. The next Swiss Team game will be held on April 24, 2024. An ACBL-wide Silver Seniors game will be held on Monday, March 11 for members born before Jan. 1, 1960. Ed and Sarah will send announcements to the membership as well as indicate these games on the website calendar.

New Business

The nominating committee composed of Ed Euler, Doug Hibshman and Ray Sanow will present names for board member replacements, specifically, a new President, Vice President, Treasurer and member at large to replace Simon Sellers, who is moving. Lisa Bryant, Elaine Colokathis. Nick Frost, Michele Heller and Sylvia Cassel will remain on the Board.

Annual Meeting – The Annual meeting will be held on April 26, 2024 at 11:00 before the Friday game. The new officers will be elected, and new membership fees will be voted on. An awards ceremony will be held for Unit 171 winners of the annual races that play in Asheville (currently listed on the home page of the website).

Sarah Manow suggested changing the Club phone number and forwarding telephone messages and directing website emails to her name as the Club Manager. We will not renew the phone number currently under Jonathan's name.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00. The next Board meeting will be on Wednesday, March 20th at 11:00.

Respectfully submitted,
Sylvia Cassel, Secretary