

Asheville Bridge Room Board Meeting

September 15, 2026

Zoom meeting at 7:00 PM

Members present: Patrick Barnes, Lisa Bryant, Nick Frost, Melissa Himelein, Sarah Manow, Virginia Pett, Polly Ross, John Underwood

Minutes

Polly Ross (Sarah Manow) moved to approve the August 18 minutes, approved.

Treasurer's Report

CD (Home Trust Bank)	\$73,852.75
Checking Acct (First Citizens Bank & Trust)	\$ 5,909.60
Tournament Account (FCB&T)	\$ 165.57
Total assets	\$79,927.92

The CD matures September 16; expected renewal balance is \$74,586.18.

Virginia Pett (John Underwood) moved to approve the Treasurer's report, approved.

Search for a New Venue

Several locations are currently under consideration.

The First Baptist Church (Weaverville) charges \$50/session and \$250 if we use the kitchen. We could not begin play until 1:30 PM. Plenty of parking and handicap access. Storage space is available. We might try this location on a Friday to see how it works out.

For pop-up locations like Arden Bridge Club, we might consider RSVP bridge. As an official ACBL partner, RSVP Bridge delivers accurate scoring and direct upload of results to Live for Clubs. It works on smartphones.

Sectional Tournament

Polly Ross reported that the tournament planning is going well. Two email blasts have been sent to players in a 200-mile radius; a third to Unit 171 players is in process. Future planning meetings: hospitality planning (9/15) and inventory of storage shed (9/22).

A social event will take place each evening at a local establishment, titled PMS (Post Mortem Social). There will be a suggestion box at the welcome table.

Schedule

No game Monday, September 21

Board Meeting, Thursday, October 15

Action Items

Plan slide show for tournament

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia Pett, Secretary