

**ACBL UNIT 160**  
**BOARD MEETING**  
**APRIL 24, 2023**

**Call to Order:**

The Unit 160 Board Meeting was held at Backstreets Grill called to order by President, Lee Webb at 6:20 PM. A quorum was met; in attendance were:

President: Lee Webb (LW)

Vice President: Bernetha Henry (BH)

Past President: Betsy Stanton (BS)

Secretary: Kathy Kimmerling (KK)

Treasurer: Blondelle Grant (BG)

Piedmont: Richard Brown (RB), Nancy Russell (NR) and Richard Smith (RS)

Southern: Dan Osburn (DO) and Paul Wright (PW)

Central: Scott Dunn (SD), Susan McFadden (SF) and Chris Webb (CW)

Eastern: Jack Gurley (JG) and Bobbi Stricklin (BSN)

In attendance as Proxys: Dana Osburn (S), George Russell (P), Jack Self (E) and Hugh Hughes (P)

Absent: Sally Dix (P), Jim Villanueva (P), Martin Johnson (S), Tom Musso (S), Cheryl Scott (S) and Karen Galleher (E)

March Minutes: the minutes from the March 4, 2023 Unit 160 Board Meeting were approved by those in attendance at the March 4 meeting – limited to BG, JG, BS and KK.

Unit 160 Annual Meeting Minutes: the minutes from the March 5, 2023 Unit 160 Annual Membership Meeting were approved by those in attendance at the March 4 meeting – limited to BG, JG and KK.

Treasurer's Report: No report was provided for review. Blondelle Grant gave an oral report listing the balances. PW made a motion to accept the treasurer's statement, and RS seconded. The motion passed.

**Old Business:**

Finance Committee Report:

Chris Webb stated that the committee had looked into CD rates and they were not any more favorable than the rates that we currently have.

Education Funds:

There were no new requests for monies from the Unit for educational purposes.

## **New Business:**

### Welcome:

President Lee Webb welcomed the new board members: Scott Dunn (C), Bernetha Henry (C/VP), Susan McFadden (C) and Bobbi Stricklin (E). Lee then thanked the retiring board members: Hugh Brown (C), Louise Burns (E) and Francine Moring (C). She also thanked Past President, Betsy Stanton for her service.

### Unit Sponsored Charities:

Scott Dunn put in a request for PALSS. This organization has been supported in the past by the Unit and Scott has been able to get matching funds from outside donors, including members of the Columbia Bridge Club. The request was for \$500.00.

A motion was made by PW to support this request and the second was by RS. The motion passed.

Wreaths Across America (WAA) is another organization that the Unit has supported in the past. They are involved with placing memorial wreaths on the graves at National Cemeteries.

BS made a motion to again donate \$300 to WAA and SD was the second. The motion passed.

### 2022 Ace of Clubs / Mini McKenney Awards

The lists of the 2022 winners were distributed at both the March board meeting and the March annual membership meeting.

### Sectional Tournament Needs

A brief discussion was held on this topic.

There is a problem with sectionals in the area, in that the lack of attendance often means that the tournament suffers a loss.

The 2023 Anderson Spring Sectional tournament was cancelled due to its proximity, both in date and location, to the Greenville Regional.

The Spartanburg November Sectional is also being cancelled for the same reasons, this time they must compete with the Atlanta NABC tournament. As a result, the NAP finals that are usually held in Spartanburg, will be held this year in Charlotte, in conjunction with their October Sectional.

### Establishment of the Annual Meeting in Columbia

A discussion was held concerning the Unit 160 Annual Membership meeting and the difficulty of being able to obtain a quorum in the past. It was suggested that the meeting be switched from March to April and to be held in Columbia, in conjunction with the GNT finals, which are hosted in Columbia.

There will be further research into this.

## **Items from the Floor:**

Bernetha Henry queried about the Unit's involvement in The Longest Day campaign that supports the

Alzheimer's Association – of which the ACBL is an inaugural participant. It was explained that the Longest Day events occur at the club level. Bernetha will now be chairing the event for the Columbia Bridge Club for 2023.

**Next Board Meeting:**

The next board meeting will be held on Zoom in the fall.

**Adjournment:**

At 6:48 PM, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by BS and seconded by CW. Motion carried with unanimous vote.

Respectfully Submitted -  
Kathy Kimmerling  
Unit 160 Secretary

Unit 160  
Board of Directors Meeting  
April 29, 2023  
5:45 p.m.

Agenda

Verification of Quorum

Establishment of Adjournment Time

Secretary's Report – Kathy Kimmerling

Treasurer's Report – Blondelle Grant

Old Business

- a) Update from Financial Committee on CDs
- b) Update on any new submissions for funds from unit for education
- c) Update on any new submissions for unit sponsors of sectional tournament

New Business

- a) Thanks to unit board members who served
- b) Welcome to new unit board members
- c) Unit sponsored Charities for 2023-2024
- d) Mini McKenney Awards 2022-2023
- e) Ace of Clubs Awards 2022-2023
- f) Sectional tournament needs upcoming
- g) Establishment of annual meeting in Columbia
- h) Next meeting

Adjournment

**Silver on the Strand  
Profit and Loss Statement  
March 3-5, 2023**

**Expenses:**

ACBL Fees	\$2,491
NLM Director	480
Board Prep	120
Hand Records/Director Printing	100
Costco (General Supplies)	547
Water	24
Friday Lunch (Fox Den Pizza)	289
Saturday Lunch (Jimmy John)	309
Sunday Lunch (BBQ House)	<u>158</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,518</b>

**Income:**

Net Receipts for 80 tables	\$4,016
Cash Infusion Bank	< <u>92</u> >
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,924</b>
<b>Net Loss</b>	<b>\$ 594</b>