

**ACBL UNIT 160
BOARD MEETING
APRIL 6, 2024**

Tri City Leisure Center – West Columbia, SC

Call to Order: The Unit 160 Board Meeting was called to order by President, Lee Webb at 1:35 PM. Attendees were introduced. 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)

Director in Residence: Dan Osburn (DO)

Piedmont: Richard Brown (RB), Nancy Russell (NR), Jim Villanueva (JV),

Teri Smith (TS) proxy for Sally Dix and George Russell proxy for Richard Smith

Southern: Martin Johnson (MJ), Dana Osburn (DaO), and Paul Wright, Jr (PW)

Central: Susan McFadden (SM) and Christopher Webb (CW)

Eastern: Jack Gurley (JG), Bobbie Stricklin (BoS) and Jill Stirgwolt (JS) proxy for Karen Galleher

Absent: Scott Dunn (C), Tom Musso (S), and Cheryl Scott (S)

Next Board Meeting: The next meeting will be scheduled later and held on Zoom.

Minutes:

The minutes for the September 14, 2023 board meeting were delivered by email for review and corrections. A motion was made by PW to accept the minutes and the motion was seconded by BH. Motion carried with unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report: Blondelle Grant

The report was sent to all board members prior to the meeting, by email.

KK noted that the Change of Rank vouchers from the Unit were only to be used for Sectional Tournaments, not STaCs. These are to encourage players to attend tournaments in person. To avoid confusion in accounting, these vouchers will be known as "Rank Awards".

BS inquired about how Sectionals – how much support the Unit is providing to each. It was reported that the Unit only had to subsize the Charleston sectional.

Old Business:

Update from Financial Committee on CDs

CW and BG from the Finance Committee reported that the Unit CD's were reinvested at a better rate.

BH made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report and PW seconded. Motion carried with

unanimous vote.

New Business:

2024-2025 Slate of Officers and Board Members

Nominations for the 2024-2025 Unit Board were presented by Committee Chair, Paul Wright. All officers are returning. Dan Osburn is now a ACBL Tournament Director and cannot be a voting member on the Board; he will assume the non-voting position of "Director in Residence".

Proposals for retiring members:

Piedmont: Teri Smith for Sally Dix

Southern: Dana Osburn for Dan Osburn and Audrey Cadwallader for Cheryl Scott

CW made a motion to accept the proposed slate of Officers and Board members for 2024-2025 and BS seconded. Motion carried with unanimous vote.

Coffee Sponsorship at District 7 Regional Tournaments occurring with the Unit

Charleston coffee is built into their contract, but Greenville, Myrtle Beach and Columbia incur costs for coffee. The Unit would like to make a contribution for coffee and have that noted in the Daily Bulletin. A discussion followed; this would be a gesture of Goodwill from the Unit to the District and players. The coffee would be 'free' on a designated day, up to the approved dollar amount.

JV suggested that the Unit may have better places to spend their funds, rather than supporting District Tournaments. Proposed that the tournaments apply for the coffee sponsorship.

BS made a motion to sponsor coffee for regional tournaments held within Unit 160 by application. The sponsorship would be capped at \$1000 per tournament. NR seconded. Motion carried with unanimous vote.

Charity Beneficiaries for 2025

Past charities: Palmetto AIDS Life Support Services (PALSS) and Wreaths Across America.

BS made a motion to continue donations to these two charities at \$500 each and SM seconded. Motion carried with unanimous vote.

Assistance for GNT Club Qualifier Game Fees

Discussion on the continuation of rebating back the GNT table fees of up to \$6.00/table for up to 3 games. Three clubs took advantage of this last year.

RB made a motion to continue this program at the same rate as last year and DaO seconded. Motion carried with unanimous vote.

NAP and GNT Growth for Unit 160

Following up on the discussion from the last meeting, a report was given Dan Osburn, Grass Roots Committee Chair. He suggested that there may be ways to encourage the Flight C players to participate in these events. SM reported that the Columbia Bridge Club runs Swiss Team games including Home Style games and Eight is Enough to encourage players of all levels to participate and learn about this game format. Handicapping for team games or Mentor teams were suggestions.

Need for more Unit 160 Sectional Tournaments

We need to offer more Sectionals within the Unit. While there are some sectionals in the unit, they are being offered by the same clubs.

KK reported on Aiken and their inability to host a sectional. DO is going to reach out to Anderson and help Greenville get a sectional going again. One of the biggest issues is find an affordable venue. LW spoke of how we may need to try running tournaments during the week – Wednesday/Thursday thru Friday/Saturday and keeping the weekend open. This may allow the use of churches. CW suggested that we take the site that currently are successful and hold more sectionals there. JV noted that we need to take advantage of areas where tournaments are held successfully, along with developing sectionals in unrepresented sites.

ACBL Advisory Council Representative

Kathy Kimmerling has been elected to this board. She thanked the Unit board members for their support and went on to explain what the AC does and how it is also a conduit between the ACBL and member clubs. She stressed how the ACBL/AC is looking for good ideas.

KK reported that ACBL voted to collect fees for STaC games. This will relieve the clubs from submitting fees to District coordinators.

Items from the Floor:

Goodwill Update

Richard Brown reported that one of his 2 National Goodwill nominees for 2024 is Kathy Kimmerling. He also announced that Judyann Schnorf from Mount Pleasant is the Aileen Osofsky Goodwill Member of the Year. Judyann will be recognized at the Goodwill Dinner in Toronto at the Summer NABCs.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by President Lee Webb at 2:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted -

Kathy Kimmerling

Unit 160 Secretary

UNIT 160 BOARD MEETING
April 6, 2024 Lunchtime
Tri City Leisure Center
485 Brooks Avenue, West Columbia, SC 29169

Call to Order:

Introduction of Members:

Approval of the Minutes from the September 14, 2023 Meeting:

Treasurer's Report:

Old Business:

Report: Financial Committee

New Business:

- Approval of the Slate of Officers and Board of Directors for 2024-2025
- Discussion regarding Unit 160 sponsoring coffee (up to a limited dollar amount) at District 7 Regionals held in Unit 160 area (Myrtle Beach, Charleston, Columbia and Greenville). Unit will be recognized in the bulletin, may help other units promote, etc.
- Charity beneficiaries for 2025
- Continue GNT unit sponsored games for local clubs in 2025, possible NAP sponsored games as well (sanctions, refreshments, free plays, etc.)
- NAP and GNT growth for Unit 160: proposed ideas
- We need Unit 160 sectional tournaments:
there are currently only 3 tournaments per year, please make suggestions and ask around for potential Unit 160 tournaments. Our growth depends on volunteers
- Advisory Council – Kathy Kimmerling

Items from the Floor:

Next Unit Board Meeting:

Next Unit Annual Meeting: Columbia Spring Sectional, Saturday, 2025

Adjournment:

Unit 160 Proposed Slate of Officers and Board Members

2024-2025

OFFICE	NAME	CITY
President/Goodwill	Lee Webb	Columbia
Vice President	Bernetha Henry	Hopkins
Past President/Goodwill	Betsy Stanton	Hartsville
Secretary/Hospitality	Kathryn Kimmerling	Blythewood
Treasurer/Finance	Blondelle Grant	Pawleys Island
Director in Residence	Dan Osburn	Summerville
PIEDMONT		
	Richard Brown	Easley
	Nancy Russell	Spartanburg
	Richard Smith	Spartanburg
	Terri Smith	Greenville
	Jim Villanueva	Greer
SOUTHERN		
	Audrey Cadwallader	Mount Pleasant
	Martin Johnson	Folly Beach
	Tom Musso	Charleston
	Dana Osburn	Summerville
Nominations/Finance	Paul Wright Jr	Mount Pleasant
CENTRAL		
Recorder	Scott Dunn	Columbia
	Bernetha Henry	Hopkins
	Susan McFadden	Columbia
Finance	Christopher Webb	Columbia
EASTERN		
	Karen Galleher	Pawleys Island
	Jack Gurley	Florence
	Bobbie Stricklin	Florence

Reconciliation Summary

BANK STATEMENT -- CLEARED TRANSACTIONS:

Previous Balance:			25,329.57
Checks and Payments	19	Items	<u>-3,771.36</u>
Deposits and Other Credits	6	Items	6,492.33
Service Charge	0	Items	0.00
Interest Earned	0	Items	0.00
Ending Balance of Bank Statement:			<u>28,050.54</u>

YOUR RECORDS -- UNCLEARED TRANSACTIONS:

Cleared Balance:			28,050.54
Checks and Payments	4	Items	<u>-290.00</u>
Deposits and Other Credits	0	Items	0.00
Register Balance as of 3/29/2024:			27,760.54
Checks and Payments	0	Items	0.00
Deposits and Other Credits	0	Items	0.00
Register Ending Balance:			<u>27,760.54</u>

Februrary Report

FREE 0001 Checking
3/29/2024

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Uncleared Transaction Detail up to 3/29/2024

Date	Num	Payee	Memo	Category	Clr	Amount
Uncleared Checks and Payments						
3/5/2024	1255	Columbia BC		Coupons:sTaC	c	-30.00
3/6/2024	1256	Columbia BC		GNT:Refund	c	-144.00
3/20/2024	1258	Karen Galleher		Coupons:sTaC	c	-50.00
3/29/2024		HO-ST-DBC		GNT:Refund		-66.00
Total Uncleared Checks and Payments				4	Items	-290.00
Uncleared Deposits and Other Credits						
Total Uncleared Deposits and Other Credits				0	Items	0.00
Total Uncleared Transactions				4	Items	-290.00

Cash Flow
3/1/2023 through 3/29/2024

Category	3/1/2023- 3/29/2024
INFLOWS	
Other Income (Business)	6,351.58
Stac D7	140.75
TOTAL Other Income (Business)	6,492.33
TOTAL INFLOWS	6,492.33
OUTFLOWS	
Coupons	
sTaC	530.00
TOTAL Coupons	530.00
Education	
Grant	500.00
TOTAL Education	500.00
Gifts & Donations	
Charity	500.00
TOTAL Gifts & Donations	500.00
GNT	
Refund	210.00
TOTAL GNT	210.00
Meals	
Dinner	913.24
TOTAL Meals	913.24
Office Expenses (Business)	
software	153.86
website	45.50
TOTAL Office Expenses (Business)	199.36
Refreshments	
AnnMtg	15.58
TOTAL Refreshments	15.58
Sectional	
Defict	1,045.58
TOTAL Sectional	1,045.58
Supplies (Business)	71.93
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	3,985.69
OVERALL TOTAL	2,506.64



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Account (Click for Details)	Balance	Status	Options
FREE 0001	27,826.54		Select Option
9MCD 0007	7,242.95		Select Option
9MCD 0008	7,311.89		Select Option
9MCD 0009	7,385.60		Select Option
9MCD 0010	7,553.49		Select Option
9MCD 0011	7,710.04		Select Option

6 Deposit accounts with a total balance of 65,030.51

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