

**ACBL UNIT 160**  
**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**  
**APRIL 6, 2025**  
**Tri City Leisure Center – West Columbia, SC**

**Call to Order:**

The Unit 160 Annual Meeting was called to order by President Lee Webb at 1:08 PM. A quorum was met as the meeting was held during the lunch break.

Board members in attendance were:

President: Lee Webb (LW), Vice President: Bernetha Henry (BH), Secretary: Kathy Kimmerling (KK), Richard Brown (RB), Scott Dunn (SD), Susan McFadden (SM), Martin Johnson (MJ), Tom Musso (TM), Christopher Webb (CW) and Paul Wright, Jr (PW)

Unit 160 membership in attendance included:

Lauren Alexander, Sarah Bannister, Carol Bennett, Michael Bitonti, Will Boen, Laura Bro, Ellen Brown, Randy Cannon, Alain Cardinal, Jay Conison, Nancy Conison, Carolyn Cromer, Christine Gasperini, Sandie Gies, Caroline, Grimball, Karen Hansell, Daniel Heath, Hilda Hiner, Brent Holcomb, Howie Huynh, Myra Jaynes, Siavash Karbasizadeh, Bruce Kenner, Shelby King, Melissa Meadows, Robert McCardle, Loretta McPherson, Phillip Mixson, Jane Quick, Judy Rockwell, Jack Self, Olivia Smith, Kay Stursberg, Patti Suggs, Dick Swanson, Ellis Tesh, Mary Townhill and Beth Watson.

**New Business:**

Election of Officers and Board Members for 2025-26

Nomination Chair, Paul Wright, Jr, presented the slate of officers and board members for the upcoming year to the membership for approval.

Motion to accept – Tom Musso    Second – Susan McFadden

The new board was elected unanimously.

See Attachment

2024 Mini-McKenney and Ace of Club Winners

The list of winners in the various categories was presented to those in attendance

Bylaws Change to Grant all Officers and Members of the Board Voting Privileges

The proposed changes to the bylaws were posted on the Unit 160 webpage and there were also hard copies available to the membership prior to the meeting.

Motion to accept – Scott Dunn    Second – Paul Wright, Jr

The proposed changes were unanimously accepted by the membership.    See Attachment

President's Report

The President's Report was provided to the attendees as part of the agenda and reviewed.  
No action was needed. See Attachment

**Old Business:**

There was no old business to be discussed.

**Items from the Floor:**

There were no items from the floor.

**Next Board Meeting:**

The next Annual Membership meeting will take place during the Columbia Sectional on Sunday in the spring of 2026.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 1:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted –

Kathy Kimmerling

Unit 160 Secretary

**Unit 160**  
**Annual Meeting**  
**April 6, 2025**  
**TriCity Leisure Center, West Columbia, SC**  
**Agenda**

**Verification of Quorum**

**Establishment of Adjournment Time:**

**Secretary's Report:** Kathy Kimmerling [www.bridgewebs/unit160](http://www.bridgewebs/unit160) - Minutes archive

**Treasurer's Report:** Blondelle Grant

**Establish Next Meeting:** 2026 Spring Sectional – Date TBD

**Old Business**

There was no old business to be discussed.

**New Business**

- a) Welcome.
- b) Election of Officers and Board Members for 2025-26  
Board member introduction and election: Paul Wright.
- c) 2024 Unit 160 Masterpoint Races Winners
- d) Bylaws change to grant all officers and members of the board voting privileges

*Minutes from the February 4, 2025 board meeting regarding this topic:*

Voting Privileges for Unit 160 Officers The current Unit 160 Bylaws (2013) do not permit the President, Secretary or Treasurer a vote. After a discussion it was decided that the Board felt that the time had come to revisit this issue and bring it in line with other unit boards.

Per the current bylaws:

ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENTS TO THE BY LAWS, an oral petition of 5 board members to change this process was initiated. The members were: Bernetha Henry, Chris Webb, Betsy Stanton, Richard Brown and Susan McFadden. An amendment will be made to permit voting privileges for the Unit 160 officers and posted to the Unit 160 webpage. The unit membership will vote on this change at the annual meeting in April.

Betsy Stanton made a motion for the bylaws change to permit Unit Officers the ability to vote and Paul Wright seconded. Motion carried with unanimous vote.

*See blue sheet circulating around the room for complete bylaws.*

**Summary from President Lee Webb 2024**

- a) The Unit insured sectional tournaments against loses.
- b) We continue to recognize Change of Rank with a \$10.00 voucher to play in a sectional in a Unit 160 sectional.
- c) We offer reimbursement of \$6.00 per table to any club who will run a GNT qualifying event.
- d) We offer matching funds to any club who applies to District 7 for educational programs.
- e) Many thanks to all who continue to attend tournaments and volunteer in our unit and district.

**Items from the Floor:**

**Adjournment:**

**UNIT 160 2025-26 OFFICERS and BOARD MEMBERS**

OFFICE	NAME	PIEDMONT	CENTRAL	SOUTHERN	EASTERN
President/Goodwill	Lee Webb	Richard Brown	Scott Dunn	Audrey Cadwallader	Karen Galleher
Vice President	Bernetha Henry	Nancy Russell	Bernetha Henry	Martin Johnson	Jack Gurley
Past President/Goodwill	Betsy Stanton	Richard Smith	Susan McFadden	Tom Musso	Bobbie Stricklin
Secretary/Hospitality	Kathryn Kimmerling	Terri Smith	Christopher Webb	Dana Osburn	
Treasurer/Finance	Blondelle Grant	Ron Cowen		Paul Wright Jr	
Director in Residence	Dan Osburn				

**ARTICLE VI**  
**UNIT OFFICERS**

- (A) The officers of the Unit shall consist of a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer.
- (B) The Unit Board of Directors shall elect the President and Vice President at its annual meeting. The President shall not be a member of the Board of Directors. The Vice President may or may not be a member of the Board of Directors. The persons elected shall hold office for two (2) years or until their successors have been elected and may not serve more than two (2) consecutive terms. The Secretary and the Treasurer may not be members of the Board of Directors and will be elected for a term of three (3) years and will be paid a salary approved by the Board. **Once elected/appointed, officers will have voting privileges.** **NEW PROPOSAL**
- (C) Vacancies due to any cause shall be filled by the Board of Directors.
- (D) Duties:
- (1) The duties of the President are as follows: to preside over all meetings; to appoint committees as required; to carry out the instructions of the Board of Directors.; **to vote only in case of a tie.** **REMOVE**
  - (2) The duties of the Vice President are to assume the functions of the President when requested by the President or the Board of Directors. **When assuming the duties of the President, he will be allowed to vote only in case of a tie, however, his presence may be counted towards the requirements for a quorum** **REMOVE**
  - (3) The duties of the Secretary are as follows: to conduct such correspondence as directed by the President and the Board of Directors; to make monthly reports to the ACBL as required: to keep

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**APPENDIX I**  
**UNIT JURISDICTION**

The state is divided into the following four (4) geographic areas along county lines as follows:

**PIEDMONT** : Abbeville Anderson Cherokee Greenville Greenwood Laurens McCormick Oconee Pickens Spartanburg Union York

**CENTRAL** : Aiken Calhoun Chester Edgefield Fairfield Lexington Newberry Orangeburg Richland Saluda

**EASTERN** : Chesterfield Clarendon Darlington Dillon Florence Georgetown Horry Kershaw Lancaster Lee Marion Marlboro Sumter Williamsburg

**SOUTHERN** : Allendale Bamberg Barnwell Berkley Charleston Colleton Dorchester Hampton

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