Unit 191 Board Minutes of Meeting on May 13, 2019

Members Present: Ed Fuller, Suzie Goldberg, Hugon Karwowski, Jane Kiernan, Deanna Larus, Ray

McEntee, Marian Meyer, Chris Moll, John Schachte and Phylliss Woody

Absent: Craig Robinson, Mariée Walton

Guest: Marc Goldberg

Ed Fuller called the meeting to order at 4:20 p.m.

<u>Unit Web Site</u>: Ed Fuller and Marc Goldberg led a discussion dealing with the advantages of switching the Unit web site to "bridgewebs.com", a popular web site used by many bridge clubs. The proposed site would save about \$100 per year and offer greater flexibility. The Board voted in favor of the switch. The changeover will occur in late July 2019 allowing time to handle details such as the history of the Unit as contained in board minutes going back many years.

Fees Paid by the Unit to Triangle Bridge Club: Two kinds of fees:

- a) \$25 per month to be able to meet at Triangle. Agreed to discontinue this fee beginning June 1, 2019.
- b) \$100 per month to store certain items, mainly sectional tournament equipment, at Triangle. Agreed to reduce this fee to \$50 per month beginning June 1, 2019 until Dec 31, 2019 when the subject and fee would be revisited. Also agreed that the Board review storage fees every year.

Summer Sectional: Chris Moll asked and received support for the following:

- a) Continued partnership with Mediterranean Grill for the Sunday team game including a chicken entre, and a \$108 team fee, including desert.
- b) A full-page flyer emphasizing the mid-level open game.
- c) Coffee cups for prizes.

<u>Treasurer</u>, Suzie Goldberg reported a balance of \$27,708 as of 5/1/19. The account has been moved to the Miami branch of SunTrust. Agreed that the bank's monthly statement will be mailed to the Unit Treasurer who will review it and forward it, within one week, to a second board member for further review.

Suzie also announced her plan to turn over the treasurer's duties to Craig Robinson in about one month.

Education Series: The lectures will resume in September.

<u>Goodwill Ambassador for 2020:</u> This is the <u>ACBL</u> ambassador selection, not to be confused with the <u>District</u> ambassador - Joyce Jenzano, our nominee – Ed asked that we handle this in June - if in fact we think we have a candidate.

<u>Gala:</u> Deanna reporting...... The event will be held on Dec 15, 2019 at the Sheraton/Marriott. She expects about 140 people and a cost to the Unit of about \$2,000 to \$2,600. A silent auction (to defray the expense) was suggested and will be considered. A separate game for novice players, say 0-20 or 0-100 points is under consideration. Agreed that everyone will pay the same \$35 fee and players outside the Unit will be solicited.

<u>Nominations/Elections:</u> Ed has replied to Maggie Lindquist's letter in which she outlined her support of contested elections for board members. Ed has copied the Board with his response. The by-laws will be modified to clarify how the Unit nominates/elects board members.

Meeting adjourned 5:45 p.m.

Next meeting June 3, 2019 4:20 p.m. at TBC. July meeting July 8, 2019 4:20 p.m. at TBC.

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