

Unit 191 Board  
Minutes of Meeting on September 18, 2019 rev1

Members Present: Ed Fuller, Suzie Goldberg, Deanna Larus, Hugon Karwowski, Ray McEntee, Marian Meyer, Chris Moll, Craig Robinson, John Schachte and Phylliss Woody

Absent: Mariée Walton, Jane Kiernan

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

**Minutes** of both the July 15, 2019 and July 31, 2019 meetings were approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Suzie Goldberg announced a current balance of approximately \$31,300 and noted that both the Spring and Summer Sectionals were profitable. Craig Robinson recommended that we get a better understanding of expenses for Sectional tournaments and offered to research the topic and report at the October meeting.

**Youth Bridge Camp:** Ed and Maggie Lindquist's Summer camp at Durham Academy was successfully completed with seven campers participating.

**Education Series:** The flyer has been posted at Triangle and The Bridge Academy. The \$5 fee was confirmed as beneficial to the program.

**Sectional Committee Report:** A six-person committee has met to discuss the "Venue Contract" and other details for the year 2020. Ed will report at the October meeting. Committee members are: Craig Robinson, Suzie Goldberg, Ed Fuller, Deanna Larus, Chris Moll and Henry Meguid.

**Bridge Documentary Movies:** Henry Meguid has recommended that the Unit promote one or two movies and help finance their distribution. Ed is working with Henry on the details.

**Mentor-Mentee Program:**

A. The Mentoring Committee made a recommendation to the Board that whereas presently, "only Unit 191 members are eligible to be mentees in the program," going forward, "non-Unit 191 ACBL members may join the program."

A motion to permit this change was defeated 6 to 3 with 1 abstention.

B. The Mentoring Committee made a second recommendation to the Board regarding payment of entry fees. The committee's recommendation was reworded to avoid possible ambiguity in the intent. The reworded recommendation states: "The entry fee for the mentor and mentee is the responsibility of the mentee. Unit 191 will subsidize \$5

of the mentor entry fee to help defray the cost to mentees of Unit 191 in good standing. The \$5.00 entry fee subsidy is for the monthly Mentor/Mentee games only.”  
A motion to accept this recommendation carried, 9 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention.

C. -addition to original minutes- rev1

Documents: Phylliss Woody noted that the Mentoring Program Brochure (now called the Mentor-Mentee Program Description) and the Mentoring Guidelines as posted on the unit's website are not those previously approved by the Unit Board. She was tasked by the Board to review these documents and to present any revisions to the Board for approval at the October board meeting.

**By-laws Revision Concerning Director Elections:** Ed is working on improvements to the by-laws to provide greater flexibility and more transparency in the process to elect directors. For example, presently, election takes place, “at the annual general membership meeting.” That’s restrictive. Also, should elections be contested or limited to the number of openings? Also, who serves on the nominating committee, perhaps board members and non-board members? Also, must the Board approve the slate? Ed plans to send a draft of proposed changes to all board members - for 2020 elections. (Too late to implement for 2019)

The 2019 Nominating Committee members are: Hugon Karwowski, Marian Meyer and Chris Moll. They will present a slate by November 15 this year.

**Unit Award for Most Points:** Ed and Barbara Martin are working on this.

**UNC Bridge Players Assistance:** Hugon may need assistance with his players, financial or pizza donations, for example. They meet Tuesday (novice) and Thursday (advanced) evenings at 7 p.m.

**Membership Trend, 2019:**

June 586  
July 584  
August 590  
September 603

Meeting adjourned 5:45 p.m.

Next meeting at The Bridge Academy, Monday, October 14, 2019, 4:20 p.m.

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