

AGENDA
ACBL UNIT 191 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Monday, October 25, 2010
Triangle Bridge Club

Call to Order

Secretary's Report

Treasurer's Report

Old Business

NLM Tournament Report

Holiday Gala

March 2011 Tournament

2012 Calendars (Harrison's email)

Donation Funded Education Day

New Business

Nominating Committee

Reports of Standing Committees

Membership: Harrison Brooke

Education: Stirling Haig

Announcements

Next Meeting

Adjournment

ACBL UNIT 191 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Monday, October 25, 2010
Triangle Bridge Club

The meeting was called to order by President Sigrid Olin at 4:21pm.

Present: Ron Adams, Grada Arble, Harrison Brooke, Edy Bulthuis, Ken Dye, Stirling Haig, Maggie Lindquist, Robin Marin, Sigrid Olin, Patsy Whitehurst

Absent: Marty Demko, Paul Kobrin

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the September 20th Board Meeting were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: No report. President Olin reported that \$750 has been received from Triangle Bridge Club as final payment for the tables.

Old Business:

NLM Tournament – Report on file.

- Ken Dye reported an increase of 12 tables over last year.
- The Unit made a profit from the tournament. The final figures will be available from the treasurer at the next board meeting.
- Jackie Marks was the winner of the Peggy Stokes Memorial Award.
- Edy Bulthuis suggested that the unit use the same hotel for all tournaments.

2010 Holiday Gala

- Chairperson Grada Arble reported that the gala will be held at the Sheraton on Dec. 5th at 1:00pm.
- The Unit has paid a \$500 deposit to the Sheraton.
- Edy Bulthuis moved that the Unit charge \$30 for unit members and \$40 for non-members. Maggie Lindquist seconded the motion and it passed.
- Grada will investigate the possibility of upgrading the menu.
- John Parks will transport the tables to the Sheraton and return them to the TBC.

March 2010 Sectional

- Marty Demko will send the flyers to Bob Heller for inclusion in the District 7 Bulletin.
- Co-chair Edy Bulthuis reported that the tournament will have a North Carolina theme.
- The objectives of the tournament are to promote bridge and provide unit players with a venue to accrue color points.

Donation Funded Education Day

- Marty Demko is not ready to put forth a detailed proposal for the event.
- It seems that sometime between March and July would be an advantageous time to hold it.

2011 Calendars

- Harrison will find out if the Triangle Bridge Club is interested in purchasing calendars. If not, the Unit will purchase and distribute them.

New Business

Nominating Committee

- Robin Marin and Maggie Lindquist will make up the nominating committee. They will be looking for

a minimum of 6 candidates to replace board members whose terms are expiring.

Extended Double Knock-Outs

- John Torrey is interested in running Extended Double Knock-Outs in our Unit. Ken Dye moved that John be given the green light to organize the event. Grada Arble seconded the motion and it passed.

Standing Committees:

Membership: Harrison reported a total membership of 522. Six NLM's have been put on inactive status.

Education:

- Stirling Haig reported that players are enjoying Henry Meguid's courses.
- Harrison will begin a "Play of the Hand" course in January.
- Harrison has received a request that he teach a course on Bridge Etiquette.

Announcements:

- Maggie Lindquist was introduced by Jay Bates at the Goodwill Ambassadors' Dinner during the Columbia tournament.
- It was a lovely event with a speaker from the National Goodwill Committee.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 22nd at 4:15pm at TBC.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:43pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Patsy Whitehurst, Secretary

AGENDA
ACBL UNIT 191 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Monday, September 20, 2010
Triangle Bridge Club

Call to Order

Secretary's Report

Treasurer's Report

Old Business

NLM Tournament

2011 March Sectional

Subsidized Bridge Lessons

Liability Insurance

New Business

Reports of Standing Committees

Membership: Harrison Brooke

Education: Stirling Haig

Announcements

Next Meeting

Adjournment

ACBL UNIT 191 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Monday, September 20, 2010
Triangle Bridge Club

The meeting was called to order by President Sigrid Olin at 4:28pm.

Present: Ron Adams, Grada Arble, Harrison Brooke, Edy Bulthuis, Marty Demko, Ken Dye, Stirling Hair, Paul Kobrin, Maggie Lindquist, Robin Marin, Sigrid Olin, Patsy Whitehurst

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the August 23rd Board Meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Paul Kobrin reported that he has created a separate line item for the Triangle Bridge Club's installment payment for the bridge tables. The total assets of the unit are \$17,326, a net increase of \$1,137. Report on file.

Old Business:

NLM Tournament:

- There is a rental contract on file with TBC. The unit will pay the club a fee of \$1,300 plus \$4/table.
- Jay Bates will direct with John Torrey as a 2nd director if there are 40 tables or more in one session.
- There will be an open game at the CH Senior Center on Friday afternoon.
- The ACBL should be sending out email fliers advertising the tournament.

2011 Sectional Tournament:

- Edy Bulthuis reported that there will be 3 sessions on Friday beginning at 10am, 2 on Saturday beginning at 10:30, and 2 on Sunday beginning at 10:30. The theme will be "Carolina Dreamin' – Nothing could be finer".
- Harrison Brooke and Doris Elkin will be Partnership Co-Chairs.
- Linda Hansell will be Hospitality Chair.
- Marty Demko will be Publicity Chair.
- There will be a chance to win a 3 night vacation in the NC mountains (donated by Pat Owens).
- La Quinta Inn will be the official hotel of the tournament.
- Prizes will be \$10 for 1st Place winners.

Subsidized Bridge Lessons:

- Sigrid Olin has sent a letter to Jo Ann Colton expressing the unit's appreciation for their offer.
- After discussion, it was decided that Marty Demko would write up a proposal for an "Education Day" with teachers from the unit participating. He will present his report at the next meeting.

Liability Insurance:

- Paul Morrisette has applied for and received insurance for the NLM Tournament through the ACBL.
- There is a \$5,000,000 policy to insure the unit's board of directors. TBC has a \$1,000,000 policy to cover the facility, and the property owner has a \$1,000,000 policy to cover the outside of the property.
- It was decided that further discussion will not be required.

New Business:

Goodwill Ambassadors' Dinner:

- The dinner will be held at the Columbia Regional Tournament on Friday, October 22nd.
- The unit's nominee, Maggie Lindquist, will attend. She may invite 3 guests. Jay Bates will attend the dinner with her.

Standing Committees:

Membership: Harrison reported a total membership of 520. That represents an increase of 28 members over the past 3 years. He sadly reported the deaths of Dick Morgan and Marty Marks.

Education: Stirling Haig reported.

- Marty Demko will begin a course on "Deadly Defense" on October 1st.
- Grada Arble introduced the idea of starting a Youth Bridge Program.

Announcements: There were no announcements.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 25th at 4:15 at TBC.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45pm.

Respectfully submitted.

Patsy Whitehurst, Secretary

AGENDA
ACBL UNIT 191 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Monday, June 28, 2010
Triangle Bridge Club

Call to Order

Secretary's Report

Treasurer's Report

Old Business

Summer Sectional

New March Sectional

Holiday Party

Update on Library

New Business

Reports of Standing Committees

Membership: Harrison Brooke

Education: Stirling Haig

Announcements

Next Meeting

Adjournment

ACBL UNIT 191 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Monday, June 28, 2010
Triangle Bridge Club

The meeting was called to order by President Sigrid Olin at 4:35pm.

Present: Ron Adams, Grada Arble, Harrison Brooke, Edy Bulthuis, Marty Demko, Paul Kobrin, Maggie Lindquist, Robin Marin, Sigrid Olin, Patsy Whitehurst

Absent: Ken Dye, Stirling Haig

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the May 24th Board Meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Paul Kobrin reported that the unit has \$14,852 in total assets. The Triangle Bridge Club's initial payment (\$250) for the tables is due on June 30th.

Old Business:

2010 Summer Sectional Update:

- Hospitality co-chairman Maggie Lindquist has made a list of restaurants in the area and at Southpoint Mall. At the conclusion of the tournament, she will make a list of all supplies that will be available for future tournament use.
- Ron Adams reported that the TBC was unable to obtain access to additional restroom facilities.
- More bridge tables and chairs are needed. They will be needed the day prior to the tournament to facilitate set-up.
- Additional ice can be purchased at the convenience store nearby if needed.
- \$9 will be the fee for each session. The fee for Swiss Teams on Sunday will be \$23/person, which includes \$5 for a Panera Bread box lunch. The 199er Swiss Team fee will be \$9 and does not include lunch.
- The winner of the Brightleaf Award will have his/her name added to the list of winners.
- Jay Bates expects additional air conditioning to be installed in time for the tournament.

March 2011 Sectional Tournament:

- March 4-6, 2011 has been approved by the ACBL as the dates for the sectional.
- The unit now needs to find a tournament chair for the event.

Holiday Party:

- Grada Arble reported that the area at the Rizzo Center which would be used for dining is not of adequate size. Therefore it should be ruled out as a venue for the 2011 Holiday Party.

Update on the Lending Library:

- Marty Demko reported that John Torrey might be interested in having some of the old Bridge Bulletins and Bridge Worlds. Anyone else who is interested in having some of the old periodicals should contact Marty.
- There are some historical books that the unit will retain. Current books will be kept in the bookcase for lending purposes.

Standing Committees:

Membership: Harrison reported that the current membership stands at 508. There has been an increase of 3 ½% over the past 3 years.

Education: Sigrid reported for Stirling Haig.

- Kay Joyce has cancelled her upcoming course for lack of interest.
- Harrison will teach a class beginning September 16th.
- Henry Meguid is continuing his course on Precision.
- Governor's Club is interested in having an Easy Bridge course.
- Darleen will begin an Easy Bridge course at TBC in September.

Announcements: Marty Demko needs articles for next month's "Alert". He will write an article on NAP and on the results from the Raleigh Sectional.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 26th at 4:30 at TBC.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:38pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Whitehurst, Secretary

AGENDA
ACBL UNIT 191 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Monday, May 24, 2010
Triangle Bridge Club

Call to Order

Secretary's Report

Treasurer's Report

Old Business

Update on Summer Sectional

Dates for 2nd Sectional

New Business

Recognition of the Mentoring Program

Holiday Gala – the Rizzo Center

Reports of Standing Committees

Membership: Harrison Brooke

Education: Stirling Haig

Announcements

Next Meeting

Adjournment

ACBL UNIT 191 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Monday, May 24, 2010

Triangle Bridge Club

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Harrison Brooke at 4:35pm.

Present: Ron Adams, Grada Arble, Harrison Brooke, Marty Demko, Stirling Haig, Paul Kobrin, Maggie Lindquist, Patsy Whitehurst

Absent: Edy Bulthuis, Ken Dye, Robin Marin, Sigrid Olin

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the April 26th Board Meeting were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Paul Kobrin had nothing new to report.

Old Business:

2010 Summer Sectional Update:

- Ron Adams reported that he has received the badges for the tournament officials.
- The caddies are lined up.
- Ron has reservations about the adequacy of the restroom facilities, especially the women's restroom. There is interest in renting the adjoining space which would provide additional restrooms. Jay Bates will check with the present owner about this possibility.
- Panera Bread will provide the lunch on Sunday.
- Maggie Lindquist will create a map of area restaurants.
- The Brightleaf Award will be given to the player who attains the highest number of MPs when playing with more than one partner.

Update on Second Sectional:

- Marty Demko will apply for March 4-6, 2011 for the second sectional.
- The unit can decide about adding a session on Thursday evening once the ACBL approves the March date.

New Business:

The "Alert":

- The board recognized Marty Demko for his professional publication of the "Alert".
- Harrison Brooke will write an article for the "Alert" recognizing Kay Gruninger and Kay Richardson for the outstanding job they have done with the Mentor Program.

Holiday Gala:

- Grada Arble has contacted the Rizzo Center about the possibility of holding the 2011 Holiday Gala
- There.
- Grada will arrange for a walk-through on June 8th for anyone interested in seeing the facility.

Standing Committees:

Membership: Harrison Brooke reported that the total membership is at a record high of 515.

Education: Stirling Haig reported.

- Kay Joyce will be teaching a 4 session defense course featuring "Points and Tricks" and "Distribution, that is" on June 21, 22, 28, and 29. The cost is \$100.
- Marty Demko will begin a new class "Polishing Your Basics" on June 11th.
- Jay Bates may have to drop his Monday class for new players due to lack of interest.
- Harrison will be finishing his class on "Defense" in June. He will begin teaching again in the Fall.

Announcements: There were no announcements.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 28 at the Triangle Bridge Club.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:23pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Patsy Whitehurst, Secretary

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AGENDA
ACBL UNIT 191 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Monday, April 26, 2010
Triangle Bridge Club

Call to Order

Secretary's Report

Treasurer's Report

Old Business

Update on Summer Sectional

"Alert" Publication

Unit Website

New Business

Goodwill Nomination

Reports of Standing Committees

Membership: Harrison Brooke

Education: Stirling Haig

Announcements

Next Meeting

Adjournment

ACBL UNIT 191 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Monday, April 26, 2010
Triangle Bridge Club

The meeting was called to order by President Sigrid Olin at 4:22pm.

Present: Ron Adams, Grada Arble, Edy Bulthuis, Harrison Brooke, Marty Demko,
Ken Dye, Paul Kobrin, Maggie Lindquist, Sigrid Olin, Robin Marin,
Patsy Whitehurst

Absent: Stirling Haig

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the March 22nd Board Meeting were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: Paul Kobrin reported that the unit's bank statements are now going to Maggie Lindquist for review. The quarterly check from the ACBL has been received.

Old Business:

2010 Summer Sectional Update:

- Ron Adams reported that Diane Saulsberry will act as caddymaster, and Maggie Lindquist and Edy Bulthuis will be in charge of hospitality.
- Marty Demko suggested that personalized address labels be given as registration gifts. There will be a sign-up sheet at the registration desk for those players who would like to have the labels.
- Ron Adams will order name tags for tournament officials.
- Maggie Lindquist encouraged board members to promote the tournament and to ask unit members to contribute food and cash.

Non-Life Master Tournament: The tournament will be held October 15-17 at the Triangle Bridge Club.

Update on 2nd Sectional Tournament: Marty Demko reported that there are several times still available for next Spring. Maggie Lindquist moved that the unit apply for March 4-6, 2011. Ken Dye seconded the motion and it passed.

"Alert" Update:

- Liz McGuffey has interviewed Bob Boggs, and her article has been posted on the website.
- Information for the Alert should be sent to Marty Demko.

Unit 191 Website: Marty Demko reported that the website has been moved to a new service provider at a lower cost. Marty holds the account and will be paying the bills, so the Unit will reimburse him for the website hosting expenses. Jack Olin will continue to act as webmaster.

Old Business:

Goodwill Nomination: Marty Demko moved to nominate Maggie Lindquist for the Goodwill Award. Robin Marin seconded the motion, and it passed.

Disposition of items from the Lending Library: There are boxes of books and magazines left from the Lending Library. Marty Demko and Robin Marin volunteered to form a committee to go through the material and make decisions on what should be saved.

Standing Committees:

Membership: Harrison reported that the membership totals 512. This is an encouraging trend.

Education:

- Henry Meguid is finishing his course on "Precision".
- Marty Demko has 20-25 players in his intermediate class.
- Jay Bates is teaching a class for new players on Mondays.
- Harrison is teaching at the Seymour Senior Center and has 34 taking his class on "Defense".

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 24 at the Triangle Bridge Club.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Patsy Whitehurst, Secretary

AGENDA

ACBL UNIT 191 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Monday, March 22, 2010

The Bridge Center

Call to Order

Secretary's Report

Treasurer's Report

Old Business:

Summer Sectional Update

New Business:

Storage of Sectional Supplies

"Alert" Publication

Reports of Standing Committees:

Membership: Harrison Brooke

Education: Stirling Haig

Announcements

Next Meeting

Adjournment

ACBL UNIT 101 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Monday, March 22, 2010
The Bridge Center

The meeting was called to order by President Sigrid Olin at 4:50pm.

Present: Grada Arble, Bob Boggs, Harrison Brooke, Edy Bulhuis, Marty Demko, Ken Dye, Stirling Haig, Paul Kobrin, Maggie Lindquist, Sigrid Olin, Patsy Whitehurst

Absent: Ron Adams

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the February 22nd Board Meeting were approved as amended.

Treasurer's Report: Paul Kobrin reported that the deposit for the Holiday Gala has been paid to the Sheraton. Maggie Lindquist will assume the job of reviewing the bank statements which has been done by Anne Hennessey.

Old Business:

Summer Sectional Update:

- The new contract with the Triangle Bridge Club for the Summer Sectional includes provisions for cleaning the facility and trash removal. It will be stressed to Ron Adams that someone needs to be available at all times to monitor the cleanliness of the restrooms and to insure that supplies are adequate and trash removal is timely.
- John Torrey and Jay Bates will direct the tournament.
- At this time, the tournament runs Friday through Sunday. The Board will consider adding Thursday in 2011.
- The flyer needs to be corrected before being distributed.
- Maggie Lindquist moved that the unit pay a \$1500 deposit to the Triangle Bridge Club for the Sectional. Grada Arble seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Website Update:

- Marty Demko reported that there will be one webpage, and all of the Unit 191 centers will have a space. Harrison Brooke's games will also have a space. There will also be a link to the website for the Roxboro Club.
- Marty is looking at some alternatives to the Unit Calendar.
- There is an ongoing effort to make changes to the website that will make it more user friendly.

Update on Addition of a 2nd Sectional Tournament: Marty Demko has no news at this time on adding a 2nd Sectional Tournament.

New Business:

Storage of Sectional Supplies: Maggie Lindquist has moved the coffee pots and checked their operation. All supplies on the left side of the closet at The Bridge Center will be moved to the Triangle Bridge Club.

"Alert" Publication: A decision on the publication of the "Alert" will be tabled until the April meeting. In the meantime, board members will look for someone to replace Liz McGuffey.

Standing Committees:**Membership:**

- Total membership has reached 510.
- Harrison Brooke expressed concern that a lot of novice players are being discouraged by the rude behavior of more experienced players. Board members are encouraged to discourage bad behavior, especially when directed toward novice players.

Education: Stirling Haig reported.

- Harrison has finished his course on "The Play of the Hand". On April 22nd, he will begin a course on "Defense". He has also recently completed 2 "Bidding Brush-up" courses.
- Henry Meguid's "Precision" course has 20+ enrolled.
- Jay Bates is teaching beginners who have never played previously.
- Easy Bridge continues through May.
- Marty Demko is teaching an intermediate course on Wednesdays. He will begin a course on "Major Suit Raises" for novice/intermediate players.
- Jack Whetstone is teaching "3 Conventions for \$3" on Fridays from 11:00-12:30.

Announcements:

- The Bridge Center will close at the end of April. The Tuesday 199er Game and the Tuesday evening game will continue at TBC through April 20th. All other games at the center will cease April 1st.
- Governor's Club is interested in purchasing a number of items from the Bridge Center, including bidding boxes, boards, and paper supplies. Bob Boggs is interested in selling the tables and chairs as well.
- A box containing trophies has been found and will be used for future tournaments.
- Bob Boggs announced his resignation from the Board effective April 1, 2010. Marty Demko moved that Robin Marin be offered the seat. Harrison Brooke seconded the motion and it passed.
- The Board will honor Bob Boggs with a reception on Saturday, April 24th at 1:00pm at The Bridge Center.
- Marty Demko suggested that the Board honor the 2 teams of UNC players who have qualified for the Nationals.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 26th at the Triangle Bridge Club.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:23pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Patsy Whitehurst, Secretary

AGENDA

ACBL UNIT 191 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Monday, February 22, 2010

The Bridge Center

Call to Order

Secretary's Report

Treasurer's Report

Old Business:

Summer Sectional Contract

New Business:

Triangle Bridge Center Impact:

Website Issues

Mentor/Mentee Game

Awards Ceremony (New Life Masters +, Mini Mc's, Ace of Clubs)

Future Board Meetings

Mentor/Mentee Games

Reports of Standing Committees:

Membership: Harrison Brooke

Education: Stirling Haig

Announcements

Next Meeting

Adjournment

ACBL UNIT 191 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Monday, February 18, 2010
The Bridge Center

The meeting was called to order by President Sigrid Olin at 4:45 pm.

Present: Ron Adams, Grada Arble, Bob Boggs, Harrison Brooke, Edy Bulhuis, Marty Demko, Ken Dye, Stirling Haig, Paul Kobrin, Maggie Lindquist, and Sigrid Olin

Absent: Patsy Whitehurst

Stirling Haig inquired about the availability of additional copies of the February *Alert*!, noting that the publication of the new calendar appeared to have exhausted the initial supply rapidly. Sigrid Olin reported that she had signed the contract for the sale of the Unit tables and had Jay Bates's signature to complete the file. It was reported that the sale of the ceiling-mounted projector to Bob Lenkeit, discussed at the January 2010 meeting, had not gone through after it was determined that teachers in Unit 191 have use for it. The projector has been returned and is housed at the Triangle Bridge Club.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the January 18 Board meeting were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Paul Kobrin stated that there were no significant changes to report.

Old Business:

Summer Sectional: Ron Adams explained that he had no draft contract to present, his printer having run out of ink. He reported that the Triangle Bridge Club has proposed a fee of \$2,500. Ron said he thought that reasonable but added that he wanted to look back over several years. He stated that he wanted to consider several options - - perhaps a per day rate plus a fee per table. He added that he thought it wise to include in the contract the specifics of custodial services before and between sessions, rubbish disposal and the like.

Marty Demko and Ken Dye agreed to investigate the availability of a second sectional date.

New Business:

Triangle Bridge Club Impact:

Website Issues: The Board discussed the posting of club results on the Unit 191 website and the alternatives that are available for directors to use. The consensus was that players should have an easy-to-use single location to look for results. Marty Demko, Jack Olin and Jay Bates will work together to come up with a procedure.

Mentor/Mentee Game: The next game will be held at the Bridge Center on March 6. There are seven pairs on the stand-by list and the event will be a Junior Fund game with the regular \$5 fee.

Awards Ceremony (New Life Masters, Mini-McKenney, Ace of Clubs): The awards will be presented the second week of March or later.

Future Board Meetings: Until further notice, the Board meetings will continue to be held at the Bridge Center at 4:45 pm.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Membership: Harrison Brooke reported a February 1 membership of 507, an increase of 2 over the prior month, and a jump of 17 (3.5%) from the same time last year.

Education: Harrison reported that his 9-week Play of the Hand class at the Seymour Center will end on March 18, that he will offer two bidding brush-up workshops there on March 9 and 16, and that his 9-week Defense class will begin April 22. Stirling Haig reported that Marty, Jay Bates and Jack Whetstone are conducting classes at the Triangle Bridge Club and that Henry Meguid will begin a Precision class in late March.

Announcements: Bob Boggs announced that the Thursday afternoon game on March 4 will be a special game to celebrate the 14th anniversary of the opening of the Bridge Center at its Carrboro site. Those present who played in that first game will be recognized.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 22 at 4:45 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Harrison Brooke for Patsy Whitehurst, Secretary

AGENDA
ACBL UNIT 191 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Monday, January 18, 2010
The Bridge Center

Call to Order

Secretary's Report

Treasurer's Report

Old Business:

Contract for the Bridge Tables with Jay and Darleen

New Business:

Summer Sectional

Approval of Sanction for Special Games

Reports of Standing Committees;

Membership: Harrison Brooke

Education: Stirling Haig

Announcements

Next Meeting

Adjournment

ACBL UNIT 191 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Monday, January 18, 2010

The Bridge Center

The meeting was called to order by President Sigrid Olin at 4:50 pm.

Present: Ron Adams, Grada Arble, Bob Boggs, Harrison Brooke, Edy Bulthuis, Marty Demko, Ken Dye, Stirling Haig, Paul Kobrin, Maggie Lindquist, and Sigrid Olin

Absent: Patsy Whitehurst

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the November 16 Board Meeting were approved as presented. The minutes of the December 14 meeting also were approved, Harrison Brooke adding that he had included his continuing assignment as Unit Recorder in what he had reported to ACBL.

Treasurer's Report: Paul Kobrin reported that final figures had been developed for the December 6 holiday gala showing a total subsidy of \$1,540. Report on file.

Old Business: Regarding the November 30 meeting with Darleen Bates and the sale of the Unit's card tables to the Triangle Bridge Club facility, it was noted that 58 tables were delivered to the TBC site rather than the 60 shown in the contract. Paul Kobrin pointed out that the contract stated "approximately 60" and it was agreed that a re-statement was unnecessary.

New Business:

Summer Sectional: Ron Adams reported that there is in process a review of a proposal from Darleen and Jay Bates to host the tournament at the Triangle Bridge Club. He added that he had submitted a flier to ACBL, a copy of which was circulated, and had negotiated a room rate at Four Points by Sheraton Hotel at Southpoint. Edy Bulthuis and Maggie Lindquist agreed to handle hospitality.

Approval of Sanctions for Special Games: Marty Demko, named Tournament and Unit Game Coordinator, reported that he will take care of these.

Reports of Standing Committees:

Membership: Harrison Brooke reported a January 1 membership of 505, thanks in large part to 14 new members in December, 8 of whom came from the fall Easybridge program in addition to the 4 who joined in November. Maggie was commended for her excellent handling of the program. Harrison brought up the matter of the plaques traditionally awarded in March to those members who reached the rank of Life Master or advanced to higher levels of Life Master during the prior year. The consensus was that while the plaques are meaningful to the new Life Masters, they likely mean little to those who move to higher levels. Marty Demko moved that the Unit provide the plaques only to the new Life Masters. Ron Adams seconded the motion and it passed.

Education: Stirling Haig reported that he had contacted Ken Dye, Kay Joyce and Henry Meguid about conducting classes but none yet had been scheduled. He added that Ken proposed to offer a class in slam bidding and Henry hoped to do the same for Precision. He stated that Jay Bates intends to offer some beginner classes at the Triangle Bridge Club and that Jack Whetstone also plans to offer some morning classes.

Other Business:

Sigrid Olin reported that she and husband Jack Olin had updated the list of Unit officers and chairpersons on the Unit website under Governance.

Harrison Brooke agreed to check with Liz McGuffey about the proposed publication date for the *Alert* !

Bob Boggs reported that the Unit's ceiling-mounted projector, purchased several years ago but not used recently, had been borrowed and tested by Bob Lenkeit who has expressed his wish to purchase it. Paul was asked to check his files to determine what had been paid for it. After discussion, Maggie moved that Bob Boggs be authorized to negotiate the sale to Bob Lenkeit. Marty seconded the motion and it passed.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 22 at 4:45 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Harrison Brooke for Patsy Whitehurst, Secretary