

Unit 191 Board
Minutes of Meeting on May 24, 2021 rev1

Members Present: Ian Cloudsdale, Ann Fisher, Suzie Goldberg, Deanna Larus, Hugon Karwowski, Ray McEntee, Marian Meyer, Chris Moll, Paul Morrissette, Donna Walther and Phylliss Woody

Absent: Eric Hamilton

Guest: Henry Meguid

Deanna Larus called the video conference meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Minutes, Treasurer's Report and Membership Report were deferred until the June 2021 meeting.

Deanna asked Henry to present the results of the Triangle Bridge Academy's (merged clubs) survey regarding post-pandemic re-opening:

279 responses were received, a healthy return. Data will be published in the June ALERT. Highlights:

- a) Only 4 respondents are not fully vaccinated.
- b) 65% are ready to resume face-to-face play, 26% are unsure, 7% said no and 2-3% did not answer the question.
- c) About 1/3 said they would play open games, another 1/3 said they would play limited games and 1/3 said they would play both.
- d) 59% said they would play "Limited Swiss" games.
- e) Only 24 said they planned to play in the Non-Life Master Tournament in August 2021.

Henry and Chris updated the Board on recent developments as they plan for face-to-face play:

1. Attendance will require proof of vaccination. Masks will be optional. A COVID liability release waiver will be required.

2. Face-to-face games are scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday, June 8 and June 9. Both OPEN and LIMITED, 0-750, games will run concurrently starting at 12:30. After two weeks Henry and Chris will evaluate results and plan the next two weeks. The strategy is to “Play 2 weeks and adjust as necessary”.
3. Virtual club games will also be offered - scheduled to avoid conflict with face-to-face games.
4. Coffee and soft drinks (not food) will be served. Card fee: \$11.
5. Likely to play about 18-20 boards starting out instead of the more normal 24.
6. Henry recommended that the card fee for Unit Sectional Tournaments be raised to \$12. per person beginning with the November 2021 Unit Sectional. The Board will consider this request when planning for the event.

Deanna announced that Maggie Lindquist has decided to relinquish her directing roles at both Fearington and Governors Club. John Torrey will take over at Fearington. Henry will direct at Governors Club. Further, Deanna asked the Board to encourage people to become directors and Suzie announced she has two experienced director friends moving into the Unit soon.

Goodwill Ambassador Committee: Chris Moll, Chair, will meet with Donna and Hugon today to discuss nominees. ACBL requires a report by early June.

Meeting adjourned 5:11 p.m.
Next meeting 6/14/21 at 4:30 p.m. via Zoom

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