Unit 191 Board Minutes of Meeting on July 13, 2021

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

Deanna Larus called the F2F meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Minutes of the April, May and June 2021 meetings were approved.

Membership report for July 1, 2021 as submitted by Phylliss Woody, showing 598 members, was approved.

<u>Treasurer's</u> report: Suzie Goldberg's report as of July 12, 2021 showed a balance of \$22,516. and was approved.

Future Planning: Getting ready for the rest of 2021 and 2022.

Nominating Committee: Consists of three board members and two members at large. Chris Moll, Chair, and Donna and Phylliss are in place. They, with Board input, need to select two additional committee members. The Committee will post a slate of Board candidates by September, post their bio by October, and hold elections in November.

This committee plans to meet on July 27 following the F2F game. The next ALERT will ask members, "Are you interested in serving on the UNIT Board?"

<u>Mentor-Mentee Committee</u>: Donna was asked to present a plan at the August meeting showing the operational details of this program for September 2021 through September 2022.

<u>Publicity Committee:</u> Deanna pointed out that the Unit sorely needs someone to oversee publicity for all events, and all circumstances, and not rely only on each event chair to handle mini-publicity publications for their own program. Ann Fisher volunteered to assume this important role.

November 2021 Sectional: Scheduled for Nov 11-14. Do we want it? The responsibility lies with the Unit Board, not with club owners. Paul said we should make every effort to hold this event to demonstrate we are back in business – ready to roll! Sentiment around the table appeared to agree with Paul. Chris offered to present a budget based on results of the Atlanta Regional (which ends Sept 6).

<u>Unit Game Coordinator/Tournament Coordinator</u>: This chairperson will be responsible for communicating with ACBL to make sure the Unit is awarded the maximum number of available sanctions. Eric Hamilton's name was suggested for this key spot. Chris volunteered to assume these duties for the rest of 2021 if necessary.

Education Liaison: Postponed until January 2022.

Hall of Fame Committee: Postponed until January 2022.

Other Noteworthy Comments:

- Partnerships are in a bit of flux these days. If you are aware of members needing partners, please have them contact Henry or Chris.
- Approximately 70% of the membership have < 750 points.
- F2F will improve only gradually until about September, then is likely to pick up. Chris feels food is an issue for \$11 bridge players expect to be fed snacks at a minimum.
- A special ALERT issue is coming and will focus on F2F bridge.
- Fearrington Bridge Club appears to have changed from a private club (invitation only) to a quasi - open game with generous rules regarding guests.

Meeting adjourned 4:44 p.m. Next meeting 8/9/21, 3:30 p.m., F2F RJM 7/14/21