Unit 191 Board Minutes of Meeting on August 9, 2021

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

Absent: Hugon Karwowski, Ian Cloudsdale

Deanna Larus called the virtual Zoom meeting to order at 4:35 pm.

**Minutes** of the July 2021 meeting were approved.

<u>Membership</u> report for Aug 1, 2021 as submitted by Phylliss Woody, showing 593 members, was approved. Deanna noted that 384 are non-Life Masters – that's 2/3, a point worth remembering.

<u>Treasurer's</u> report: Suzie Goldberg's report as of Aug 1, 2021 showed a balance of \$22,328. and was approved. A budget for next year will be developed.

<u>Masks:</u> As of 5 pm Aug 9, 2021 Durham County requires masks for indoor activities; therefore, masks will be required for F2F bridge.

August 2021 NLM Sectional - held last week. Chris reported all pairs' games had 7 or 7 ½ or 8 tables and the Sunday team game had 3.

<u>Nominating Committee</u>: Chairman Chris Moll announced the appointments of Maggie Lindquist and Joyce Jenzano to the Committee. The Committee will meet Aug 12 to discuss candidates.

**E-mails**: Deanna asked, "Do we want to continue to send weekly emails to the Unit membership?" Answer, "yes, the Board and the Unit will communicate regularly with the membership."

<u>Mentor-Mentee Program</u>: Donna Walther lead the discussion: The committee reviewed past programs, gave careful analysis to the current needs of mentees, and presented a set of recommendations for the year beginning September 2021.

- 1. Schedule for Games: Two games per month BBO game at 7 pm 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday night of the month & a F2F game at 12:30 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month.
- 2. Fee: \$11 per player for F2F games & \$8 per player for online games.
- 3. Subsidy for Mentors: For F2F games the mentee pays \$11 and the mentor pays \$6 if the mentee is a Unit 191 member. In the event the mentee is not a Unit 191 member the fee is \$11 per player. For online games a subsidy is not applicable.
- 4. Charitable Donation: For online games \$3 per player.
- 5. Mentors: May or may not be Unit 191 members.
- Mentees: Must be non-Life Masters with <500 master points as of the September start date. For the year beginning Sept 2021 mentees must be members of Unit 191 or members of the Raleigh Bridge Club. (This policy can be reviewed periodically.)
- 7. Classes: A 20 minute lesson starting at 12 noon for F2F games concluding 10 minutes prior to game time. Lessons to be given by Henry or Chris and the subject to be "Play of the Hand".

Donna, and others, may wish to discuss these recommendations further; for example, Suzie suggested a subsidy for the mentor when the mentee is NOT a Unit 191 member. See #3 above.

Meeting adjourned 5:53 pm Next meeting Monday, Sept 13, 2021, 3:30 pm, F2F, following the bridge game.

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