Unit 191 Board Approved: Minutes of Meeting on February 14, 2022

Members Present: Deanna Larus, Ian Cloudsdale, Phylliss Woody, Ann Fisher, Karen Popovich, Chris Moll, Gail King, Mary Newman. Absent: Paul Morrissette, Donna Walther Barbara Bute, Eric Hamilton

Deanna Larus called the meeting to order at 3:50 pm.

The minutes from the **January** meeting were approved.

Phylliss presented the <u>membership report.</u> Unit membership stands at 558 as of 2/1/22. The Board thought it a good idea to have one board member stand as a "bereavement representative." This person would reach out to the family of the deceased unit member to express condolences on behalf of the board, and to find out specifics of any funeral or memorial services so that these could be passed along to our membership. Contact needs to be made as soon as we become aware of the death. Phylliss volunteered for this role, saying she had done something similar in the past.

Ian presented the <u>Treasurer's Report</u>: email sent to members January 31, 2022 balance = \$23,786.92 The Board approved the Treasurer's Report

Ian presented a 2022 Budget Proposal but we all agreed it is still a "best guess "for anything beyond fixed expenses when we don't know how long we will be in pandemic mode and what the attendance will be at the upcoming tournaments. We also feel we are not in a position to make a decision on the gala, another major component of the budget. Hopefully by the summer, we will feel comfortable making a definitive call about whether to hold the gala in 2022.

March 3-6 Sectional Tournament at Triangle Bridge Academy

Deanna will step in for Paul as chair for the spring sectional. Gail will work with Deanna. Every attempt will be made to change the contact information on all the publicity but if it is too late, Paul's wife will be alerted to forward all calls to Deanna or Gail.

Much discussion was given to Sunday's Swiss Teams lunch. It was decided that what was done in November worked very well and we should do it that way again. There will be a ticket station, next to the vaccine station, where players can purchase a lunch ticket for \$7.00 and choose their lunch option for Sunday's game (most likely a selection of subs, wraps, sides and drinks).

The board felt that having a caddy for the Swiss Team game on Sunday was a necessary expense.

Gail agreed to keep notes on the tournament to provide a blueprint for future tournaments. Notes from future tournaments can, and should be, added as new situations/ideas arise.

The unit treasurer is responsible for assuring that there is an adequate array of denominations of bills in order to make change for tournament entries each day. The tournament director handles all the money during the course of the tournament but two of the three signatories on the checking account must prepare the settlement at the conclusion of the tournament.

The Board plans to hold the **Annual Meeting** by Zoom in mid-late March after the spring sectional. It serves as a review of the previous fiscal year which runs 12/1-11/30.

The next meeting of the Board will be on March 14, 2022 at 3:45 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 PM