

Unit 191 “Bright Leaf” Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday 10 June 2026

Present—Ann, Mary, Michael, Ray Ira, Morris

Absent—Deanna, Ian, Eric, Phylliss

President Report: Will hang a new bulletin board.

Treasurer Report: [Unit 191 Treasurer Report.numbers](#)

Mentor Mentee subsidy paid up. \$27,636.32

Membership: 454 members. 70 Guest members. 2 members became Gold life masters at Greensboro: Michael Lavine and Maggie Smith. Congratulations! Discussion re Guest members.

Accept Minutes of Prior Meeting: Yes

Items:

1. Sectional Update: from Deanna—

Deanna, Collins, John Cobb, and Barbara met yesterday to discuss logistics for the summer sectional.

Mary Newman and Susan Overcash made plans for hospitality separately.

We discussed:

1 - new space - location change—**FLYER UPDATED thanks, Ann**

2 - Barbara Hudson and Deanna volunteered to assist Marie particularly during the morning pairs games on Friday and Saturday in case we run into a repeat of the November 2025 crowds.

3 - Equipment—RBC will provide game equipment and supplies including guide cards, bridgemates, bidding boxes, scoresheets, etc. We will reimburse Barbara Hudson for any consumable equipment such as scoresheets etc. Deanna will provide pairs entry forms and print hand records, pick up slips for swiss, bring golf pencils, and replacement batteries for bridgemates. We should add to this list as we think of things that we will need.

4 - Barbara will provide and make boards for pairs games and we will compensate her for her efforts.

Deanna will ask Marie to send pbn files to Barbara Hudson as soon as possible. Deanna will bring spare boards for Thursday/Sunday night swiss games.

5 - Hospitality - Mary and Susan are planning together. We will compile a list of hospitality volunteers together. Mary is in charge of Sunday swiss lunch. Susan and I will hopefully see the space tomorrow (Thursday May 28th) so she can evaluate how to set up. It is in their capable hands. Thankfully! That is not my strength!

6 - Tables - RBC will provide and transport 40 game tables to venue. Ken Rynesek(?) will handle this. If assistance needed, please let Deanna know and she will can help with transportation. Unit 191 will be

responsible for hospitality tables and will arrange transportation etc. We can move tables into the space whenever needed. Just let us know.

7 - Volunteers - Deanna will send volunteer request email detailing need for help soon. Will start with Unit 191 monthly newsletter and then follow up with an email in a few weeks. Will forward it to Collins when ready. He will handle seeking volunteers from RBC crowd. Deanna will compile master list to keep us organized.

8- We will request hospitality (food and cash) donations from members of both clubs in the weeks before the tournament. Collins and Susan will coordinate for RBC. Deanna and ??? will coordinate for Unit 191.

9- We ask that someone from each club make reminder announcements about the tournament and facilitate cash donation coordination at club games in the two weeks prior to the tournament.

10- Deanna will send publicity email to surrounding units three weeks prior to tournament.

11- Deanna will talk to Marie in Greensboro about RBC's contributions all around so she knows what to expect at the tournament.

12 - Deanna has arranged for chair rental for the entire tournament.

13 - signs are ready for pickup.

Hopefully this is a good start! Please chime in if you see any problems or omissions or additions.

Thanks all!

Mary has met and spoken with Susan Overcash from RBC.

(Mary) Update provided by Mary

Clarify Board Members Not Available during the Sectional per Deanna's request: ... Absent—Eric, Ray, Michael, Morris, Ian, Ira

2. **Recognizing MPs in the Alert:** Several ideas have surfaced to address the interest in this topic: We can recognize top MP holders one month, then the most recent big accumulators in another. Or we can note top MP holders and top NLM holders, side by side, periodically. Or rotate As, Bs, and Cs. Or, survey the membership about how they want to be recognized. July recognize Greensboro winners, Aug recognize Sectional winners while we work on a survey (could include asking about other things folks want in the Alert, how they use the web site and how much) and make a plan.
3. **Web site**—what we have learned from Michael and Marc—how to count web site hits? We can get hit counts. Some hit counts probably represent bot hits. We can distinguish local web address hits. Michael wants it for MM

program to see who's checking the expert commentary. Also we might want to know how the Alert is being accessed.

4. **Mentor Mentee End of Year Report** (Michael) The year is over. A survey is planned to make improvements. Might want to survey the whole unit to see why they aren't more engaged. The survey may help figure out how to make the BBO game more attractive. Wed evening too much with a Thurs morning game at TBA. Comments come too late. Some people want a barometer style format. The BBO game is again donating \$3 from each player's game fee to the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina. Kim Wasserman a great addition to the MM program team.

Updates/Old Business:

1. Scheduling of NAP and STaC games—the next STaC games are in Dec. NAPs are scheduled.
2. Charity Foundation grant application update—written by Catherine Pleil and submitted on behalf of Families Moving Forward

New Business:

1. **We need a location for the November sectional**

Next Meeting: Monday 6 July after the regular game

Adjourn: