

District 17 Board Meeting
Las Vegas NV, June 27, 2015

NOTE: This is a partial summary of the D17 Board Meeting. The final minutes are subject to D17 Board approval at the next D17 Board Meeting in Taos, NM, Sept. 26, 2015.

General

1. ACBL President Suzi Subeck and her husband attended the meeting and provided thoughtful comments on the ACBL and different regionals that they had attended this year.
2. Opening remarks from President John Grossmann:
John thanked Unit 373, Tournament Chair Liz Hamilton and the many volunteers. The regional was held in Bally's Hotel & Casino which is huge and the playing area was a long walk. The final table count was 3062 which was less than previous Las Vegas Regionals. The October Phoenix Regional has been cancelled due to lack of playing space that was affordable. Phoenix is trying to have a regional in August 2016 at the Talking Stick Hotel & Casino (there was a regional there a couple of years ago that was successful and I liked the location and playing spaces).
3. As of June 9, 2015, District 17 assets were \$131,804 compared to \$111,053 as of December 31, 2014. Projected net income for the full year is \$3,320, which is \$22,237 below the budgeted net income. The primary reason for the lower-than-budgeted net income is the cancellation of the Phoenix regional. The major items contributing to the \$25,740 decrease in projected gross income include a \$19,400 reduction in regional sanction fees (Albuquerque, Mesa Senior, Phoenix, and Tucson were all under budget. Only Denver had a small increase). We are continuing to see attendance declining at our regionals.
4. I am a member of the D17 Executive Committee and the Elections Committee.
5. Brenda Sonderegger was approved as the Unit 356 Goodwill Member for 2015. She will receive a D17 Goodwill pin and letter of recognition. All new Goodwill members will be recognized in a future Western Conference CONTRACT BRIDGE FORUM D17 ScoreCard publication.

Future Tournaments

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| 1. Taos, NM | Sep. 21-27, 2015 |
| 2. Tucson NLM | Nov. 12-15, 2015 |
| 3. Denver, CO NABC | Nov. 26-Dec. 6, 2015 |
| 4. Albuquerque, NM | Jan. 18-24, 2016 |
| 5. Tucson NLM | Feb. 25-28, 2016 |
| 6. Mesa Senior, AZ | Mar. 28-Apr.3, 2016 |
| 7. Denver, CO | May 24-30, 2106 |
| 8. Las Vegas, NM | Jun. 6-12, 2016 |
| 9. Phoenix, AZ | Aug. 15-21, 2016 |
| 10. Colorado Springs, CO | Oct. 10-16, 2016 |

Next D17 Meeting

Taos, NM, September 26, 2015

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