

UNIT 356 BOARD MEETING AUGUST 22, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Julie Abrahams at Adobe Bridge Club at 11 AM.

Members Present: Barry Abrahams, Julie Abrahams, Prudy Cain, Marge Curvin, Dave Douglas, Joan Merrill, Brenda Sonderegger and Lee Toomey.

Guests, Bonnie Bagley, John Van Ness and Jerry Fleming each gave reasons why we should vote for one of them for the ACBL National Board. Bonnie and Jerry handed also out a brochure on their qualifications and John handed out a sheet on the District 17 Unit Membership.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

1. The minutes of the July board meeting were accepted as presented.
2. Treasurer's Report
Barry had sent each of the board members a Balance Sheet as of 7/31/2010, a report on the Monthly Income and Expenses for July 2010, and a report on the Yearly Income and Expenses, Jan. through July 2010, prior to the meeting. He briefly went over the reports. He said everything is on track with no unusual expenses. Our unit games basically break out even. The treasurers report was accepted.
3. Vice President's Report No report
4. District 17 Representative Report No report

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

1. Tournaments

October 2010 Great Chiefs Regional (Holiday Inn)

Hotel Bookings are running well behind historical trends. Another week or two should tell us if we have a problem or not. We are heavily dependent on hotel room rebates for the profitability of this tournament.

Barry will get out our detailed plan for the Regional very shortly along with budgets for each individual who has to purchase items for the Regional.

Invitations have been sent by Darwin to the D17 Board members and some related staff for the reception on Friday late afternoon. Barry proposed sending invitations to the Unit Board and to the Unit's eight Club managers.

This was approved by the board.

Barry will be meeting with Holiday Inn staff this month to make the Banquet orders for the tournament and the D17 reception and breakfast meeting. His initial plan is going to assume that attendance is down about 10% from our last Regional.

Tucson NLM Sectional (Hotel Tucson)

Nothing new to report

Tucson Fall Sectional (Desert Diamond)

Nothing new to report

Tucson Winter Sectional (January)

Nothing new to report

New Items

Barry proposed that Steve Reynolds be approved as Assistant Tournament Chairman. This was approved by the board.

2. Club Manager

Brenda reported that 26 teams have signed up for the PRO-AM Tournament on 8/29 at Las Candelas. There was some concern about the temperature at Las Candelas being too high for most people.

3. Conduct and Ethics No report

4. Hospitality

Marge & Julie will help at the Board-A-Match game on 9/12. Joan needs help with clean up.

5. Nomination

Dave gave Don's report. Steve Reynolds, Carolyn Reynolds, Diana McGinn and Adair Karlin have also expressed an interest in running for the board next year.

6. Membership

Brenda said she needed to know when to publish the Phone Directory. A motion was made that the directory just include names, phone numbers and addresses of members. Motion was passed. A motion was made that the directory will be given to the clubs to hand out to members every other Jan. starting Jan. 2011. Motion was passed.

7. Education

Dave gave Don's report. Don is waiting for the hotel reservation list to come out. He will then find speakers for the regional tournament.

8. Publicity No Report

9. I/N

Marge reported that the caddy situation is getting better. Some players have volunteered to caddy. Three college students from the area have expressed an interest.

Unfinished Business

Julie said an amendment to change the bylaws was needed in order to make the I/N position for a duration of two years instead of one. Marge will draft up the amendment.

New Business

A motion was made to make Lee Toomey a unit board member at large. Motion was passed. A motion was made to make Lee Toomey the caddy master after the October tournament. Motion was passed.

A complaint was made about the seeding of players and the slow play of some players at the local clubs. Dave is going to draft something to express our concerns to the owners and managers of the clubs.

Next Meeting: September 19 at Las Candelas

Meeting was adjourned at 12:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Toomey, Unit 356 Board Member