

FEBRUARY 13, 2011 UNIT 356 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Members Present: Barry Abrahams, Adair Karlin, Joan Merrill, Jan Miller, Carolyn Reynolds, Steve Reynolds, Lee Toomey.

Absent: Dave Douglass, Christie McDougall and District 17 Rep: Darwin Afdahl

The Meeting was called to order by President, Barry Abrahams, at 11:00 a.m. at Las Candelas.

Minutes: The Revised minutes were approved as corrected.

Report of Officers:

1. Treasurer's Report: Carolyn reported that we are down \$2000 for the month. The tournament loss of \$1000 was due to a loss in the number of tables. We currently have \$24,300 in savings. Carolyn feels that we may be headed for a deficit for the year. Her complete report is e-mailed to the board. Motion to accept the report was made and passed.
2. District 17 Representative Report: Darwin submitted a report via e-mail.

2011 Committee Reports:

1. Membership Report: Joan reported that she received a good price on the printing of the books. They have been distributed to the clubs.
2. Tournaments: Steve and Barry
 - a) Barry has sent the 2013 Regional requests and we must decide on future locations.
 - b) Steve asked for Volunteers for the NLM Regional
Lee Toomey will be at the registration desk on Thurs and Friday morning, and Jan Miller will work in the afternoons.
 - c) Steve said that Rudy Martinez is working on the partnership desk and is doing well.
 - d) Member Appreciation Game: Steve feels that we can cut our cost in half by catering it ourselves. We had a loss of \$2000 on our last one.
3. Club Manager: Christie has reduced the number of Kibitzer's being printed and distributed with no complaints. She will continue to reduce the numbers printed.
4. Hospitality: Joan said she needs help with clean-up after the Unit Game.
5. Education: Adair: Darwin and Kay Afdahl, Donna DePesa will be speakers for April, Barbara Feeley will be a speaker in November.
The board feels that the speakers should receive a free play form or a \$20 gift card.
6. Publicity: Barry discussed having a (0-5) point game at the tournament at noon at the NLM tournament. It would encourage novices to play. He suggested giving a lecture on the strategy of the game: doubles, pre-empts, and sacrifices.

New Business:

Steve brought up the issue of having a Fragrance Free policy at our games in the Unit.

Joan questioned how it would be policed. Short discussion followed.

Move to adjourn at 12:01 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jan Miller, Secretary