

MINUTES OF UNIT BOARD MEETING
ACBL UNIT 430 – GREATER VANCOUVER

HELD: Thursday, August 6, 2015 at the Vancouver Bridge Centre

PRESENT:

Peter Morse	604-831-8445	pamorse@shaw.ca
Angela Fenton	778-386-4343	angelagf@telus.net
Kathryn Shannon	604-984-4167	kathrynjshannon@gmail.com
Maryellen Gallo	778-438-2349	maryellengallo@yahoo.com
Rhoda Tafler	604-273-6980	rtafler@shaw.ca
Corrine Tapley	604-261-1946	corrinetapley@shaw.ca
James Harris	778-688-1479	jamesharris@shaw.ca
Gray McMullin	604-987-8684	graystar50@shaw.ca
John Teschke	604-777-1157	jpteschke@gmail.com

GUEST: Barbara Nist

REGRETS:

Fred Baldwin	604-812-4972	fwbaldwin@hotmail.com
Jim McKenzie	604-374-0169	jimfmckenzie@hotmail.com
Tom Anderson	604-987-6001	andersontg@shaw.ca

The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM. Peter Morse presided.

ACBL Board District Elections/Special Guest.

The President welcomed Barbara Nist to the Unit Board meeting. She began by listing all of her accomplishments in the bridge world. There was much discussion about Vancouver as a site for Regionals. She said that if we can find an economically sound location, District 19 would not be able to refuse us, and if they did, to check with our District representative. As for a National Tournament, cost was again a factor, especially since everything is paid in US dollars. Peter thanked Barbara for attending the meeting and she left at 7:55 pm.

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM: 9 Board members in attendance constitute a quorum.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The minutes of July 9, 2015, were approved. (John, Angela,)

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: The agenda was approved.

NEXT MEETINGS: The following dates for Board meetings were approved:

September 3, October 8 and November 5 at the VBC at 7:00 pm.

FINANCIAL REPORT: The Subsidy Fund donation was \$4000. The CBF portion is \$2900, \$290 each to 10 eligible players. For the GNT which is occurring at the moment, there are 13 people, \$89 per player. It is an unusual year with so many eligible players. The NAP finals will be in the spring. For the International Fund, Rock and Samantha

will each get \$290. At that point, most of our fund will have been distributed. Many of the cheques will be sent out in the next couple of weeks.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

1. **Tournament Sites:** We are at Queensborough for the September Sectional and at the Engineers' Hall in November. We are unable to use the facility at the Engineers' Hall until 4:00 on Friday, so we will be unable to have an afternoon session on Friday. Alternatives were discussed, including 3 sessions on Saturday or only having a 5 session tournament. The VBC is not a possibility because there might be renovations there at that time. Nothing was decided. We are at Queensborough in January, but for the 4-day tournament in May, the site has not been chosen. For hospitality in September, we are going with Quiznos and hospitality will only be offered during hospitality breaks, not throughout the tournament.
2. **MUG:** The August MUG had 13.5 tables. The September game will be on September 12.
3. **Mentor-Mentee Game:** So far this year we have had 58 pairs in January and 60 pairs in May. The next game will be on August 8.
4. **Matchpointer:** Articles and letters to the Editor would be well received. The next issue will be out before the September tournament.
5. **Supplies:** New boxes for the tables have arrived. Rick Gorman helped Gray tape the boxes and put Velcro on them. The Board appreciates Rick's help.
6. **Unit 430 Website:** vancouverbridge.com The website is great. The names of the latest trophy winners must be given to Tom.
7. **DINO:** We are still looking for a replacement for David Schmidt. If you have any ideas, please let Peter know.
8. **CBF:** The next CBF championship events, 2016, will take place in Toronto from May 21-28. The CNTC, CWCT, will take place during the week. The aim of the Board is to keep players there for the whole week. With that in mind, there will be Regional as well as National events throughout the week. Friday evening will be welcoming party.
9. **FUTURE STARS:** The flyers are out for the Oct. 24-25 game. Hopefully, renovations will not disrupt the game. Kathryn and Maryellen are looking for another venue. Elgin Hall is being considered.
10. **NON LIFE MASTER SECTIONALS:** In 2016, the dates are March 5-6 and Oct. 22-23 at the VBC. The 0 -100 or 0 – 200 Sectional is still being discussed. Kathryn is looking for a Board member to assume responsibility for this event.
11. **STaC:** Peter will contact club owners every month outlining unit events.
12. **IMP League** The playoffs have been completed. For next year, Peter will talk to Bruce about the B/C League. Maryellen will facilitate the B/C League if it is in the same format as this year, ie. a schedule established that everyone follows.
13. **TROPHIES:** Peter will work with James explaining the work that is to be done.
14. **FUNDRAISING:** Angela will get the volunteers.

15. **ZERO TOLERANCE IN CLUBS:** Peter has seen an increasing number outbursts in the clubs lately. He wants to get input from club owners and directors

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.

NEXT MEETING October 8, 2015, at 7:00 at the VBC.

Respectfully submitted,
Rhoda Tafler