

MINUTES OF UNIT BOARD MEETING
ACBL UNIT 430 – GREATER VANCOUVER

HELD: Thursday, March 2, 2017, at the Vancouver Bridge Centre

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

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM: 8 Board members in attendance constitute a quorum.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The minutes of Feb. 2, 2017 were approved. (Kathryn, Nick)

NEXT MEETINGS: The following dates for Board meetings were approved: **April 6, May 4 and June 1** at the VBC.

FINANCIAL REPORT: The missing receipts were received at the meeting so the Financial Statements will be available at the April meeting. \$6000 should have been moved into the Subsidy Fund, but it hasn't been moved. The accounts will be corrected. Peter and Cia will review the percentages for each of the subsidy recipients.

1. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

2. SUBCOMMITTEES FOR BOARD PROJECTS:

-Preregistration Subcommittee: The steering committee consisting of Tom, Nick, Bryan, and Kathryn has not yet met.

It was moved and seconded (Rhoda, Kathryn) that the steering committee meet before the proposal comes back to the Unit Board. **CARRIED**

3. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

- a. **Sectional Tournaments**
Spring Sectional: This will be held at Queensborough Community Centre, **May 19 – 22.**
Other Sectionals: **September 1 – 3** at Queensborough and **November 10 – 12** at St. Mary's.
- b. **Zero Tolerance announcements needed at all Sectionals.**
- c. **Starting Times Status:** Saturday start times will revert to the later start times again for the May Sectional. A long term decision on start times will be made after the May Sectional.
- d. **Hospitality:** Tea, coffee and cookies will be served at the Future Stars Sectional and the Board will await feedback.
- e. **Ace of Clubs Certificates** for 2016 will be handed out at club games for those with most points in their category.
- f. **Non Life Master Sectionals:**
2017 dates:
Future Stars – Mar. 4 – 5 and Oct. 14 – 15 at the Engineers' Hall. Help with cleanup needed on Sunday.
0 – 199 Sectional – April 1 at the VBC

2018 dates:
Future Stars – Mar. 3 – 4 and Oct. 13 – 14
0 – 199 Sectional – April 14
Monthly Unit Games
The next games are on April 1, pairs, John D. directing, May 6, pairs and June 3, teams. They will all be held at the VBC at 7pm.
- g. **Mentor Mentee Games**
The February game had 28 tables.
The next games are on **April 29** at Elgin Hall (30 tables) and on **August 12** at the VBC and on **October 21** at a Surrey site. (tba) Cathy Miller will direct alone if up to 20 tables. If over 20 tables, another director from South Surrey will be hired.
- h. **Matchpointer**
The next issue will be in May and Nick needs more articles. He is going to write an article about Jim Dickie and would welcome anecdotes or other interesting information.
Don stated that the South Surrey group is interested in getting study groups together by topic. If this effort generates educational material, it might prove useful for the Matchpointer.

i. Supplies

8 boards were refurbished with 4 more to be done. Other boards need work as well.

Scoring machines with receiver will be rented at \$10 per session (Tai), \$20 per week, 2 sessions (JCC) and \$10 per session (Bryan M.)

Bryan M will be taking over for Cathy M at the JCC.

It was moved and seconded (Nick, Don) that approval from Gray is needed before supplies can be borrowed. **CARRIED**

- j. Unit 430 Website (vancouverbridge.com)** – It will cost \$250 to renew the website on a 3 year basis. We might have to move the website somewhere else. Tom will investigate other deals which must include data base. Tom will also find out if we own the domaine name.

k. Trophies

We need to update the list of winners on the website. Jim will do this with Peter's help.

l. STAC/Club Liaison

STAC fee to Clubs to be reduced compared to last year. The cost used to be \$8.

Last year we charged \$8US so we are changing to \$8Cdn for this year. The ACBL gets a percentage and the Unit gets the rest.

m. IMP League

A/X League: There are 9 teams and each team has played several matches.

B/C League: The fifth (of seven) match days was held on Feb. 26 and the League is competitive and proceeding well.

Nick will fill in for Peter on Match 19th Match day. Peter and Kathryn will prepare the boards and hand records for Nick.

n. DINO/CBF

DINO – Vancouver Regionals will be held in 2018 and 2020 at the Villa in Burnaby.

No definite answer yet about Whistler.

NEW BUSINESS

i Unit Board Membership

There is a proposal to increase to 13 or 14 members the Unit Board. Bylaw revisions would have to be prepared and sent out in advance and approved at the Annual General Meeting in May.

It was moved and seconded (Peter, Gray) that the Bylaws will be amended as follows:

1. that the bylaws be amended to change the number of Unit Board members from 12 to 14.

2. that each year seven (7) Directors be appointed to a 2-year term.
3. that 8 Directors constitute a quorum.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:50. (Gray, Cia)

Respectfully submitted,
Rhoda Tafler