MINUTES OF UNIT BOARD MEETING

ACBL UNIT 430 – GREATER VANCOUVER

HELD : Thursday, April 6, 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: 11 Board members in attendance constitute a quorum.

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

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

FINANCIAL REPORT: The Unit is in a profitable position thru March 31, 2017. It was suggested that US account funds and extra Canadian funds be put into GICS. Details will be provided next month. Peter and Cia are working on the subsidy fund. This will be corrected on next month's Balance Sheet. There was a small loss for the Future Stars Tournament and this was likely due to the snow. There was also a small loss in the Mentor/Mentee game.

- 1. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:
- 2. SUBCOMMITTEES FOR BOARD PROJECTS:
- 3. **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**
 - a. Sectional Tournaments:

Spring Sectional: This will be held at Queensborough Community Centre, **May** 19-22.

Other 2017 Sectionals: September 1-3 at Queensborough and November 10-12 at St. Mary's.

b. Zero Tolerance announcements needed at all Sectionals.

Angela will check to see if our tournament sites have a defibrillator machine.

- c. Starting Times Status: The Unit will do a survey Monkey to all Unit 430 members to get an opinion on early vs. late starting times. This will be done in June. Peter will prepare the questions for the next meeting.
- d. Hospitality: Corrine said that coffee, tea and cookies were provided at the 0 –
 199 and Future Stars Tournaments. This will be done at Queensborough as well.
 The caddy (caddies) will do the coffee.
- e. Ace of Clubs Certificates for 2016 will be handed out at the May Sectional.

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. The afternoon attendance dropped so ideas were expressed to remedy this situation. Nothing was decided.

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 May 6, pairs, June 3, teams, and July 8, pairs. They will all be held at the VBC at 7pm. Someone queried why NS and EW winners are announced. Nick will ask Bruce.

g. Mentor Mentee Games

The February game had 28 tables.

The next game is on **April 29** at Elgin Hall in Surrey. Bruce will direct and Ed L'Heureux will be on hand as second director, if needed. Then, August **12** at the VBC and on **October 21** at Elgin Hall.

h. Matchpointer

The next issue will be ready for the May Sectional. Nick needs more articles.

i. Supplies

Gray will order 3 more coffee thermoses.

j. Unit 430 Website (vancouverbridge.com)

The cost is going up as of July. The cost will be \$90 in Canadian funds. We are moving everything over to a Canadian firm. Tom gets lost of reports and he needs to know if we can use any of them or the information contained therein.

k. Trophies

Peter will update trophy engraving to make it consistent with the list of Trophy winners on the website.

l. STAC/Club Liaison

STAC fee to Clubs is to be reduced compared to last year, \$8 Canadian per table. Kathryn is waiting for the tournament Director, Steve Bates, to get back to her.

m. IMP League

A/X League: A few matches are still to be played.

B/C League: The playoffs will be in a few weeks. Four of six teams made the playoffs.

The results should be on the website and in the Matchpointer, if possible. The Unit wants to thank Nick for coordinating the March 19th Match day.

n. **DINO/CBF NEWS** CBF Update – Angela

The future Vancouver Regionals are to be held in 2018 and 2020 at the Villa in Burnaby.

The 2019 Bridge Week will be held at the Villa. This year's Bridge Week in Winnipeg begins at the end of April, and 14 people from Vancouver are going. The District 19 Regional in Whistler has been scheduled for the week of October 30th, 2017.

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.

Corrine will be leaving the Board. Peter, Angela and Corrine are in their second year. The others are in the first year.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:40. (Nick, Gray)

Respectfully submitted, Rhoda Tafler