American Contract Bridge League Unit 531 Board Meeting Minutes

December 9, 2018

President Rick Gold called the meeting to order at 11:05 AM.

Present were Rick Gold, Lorraine Gordon, Gene Katz, Maria Marshall, Joan Kroener, Lance Malkind, and Patricia Kell.

Old Business:

The minutes of the October meeting were approved.

Treasury reports from Chrisine Denny were reviewed. Some of the expenses from the sectional have not been submitted yet, but it is known that the sectional lost money. There will be further review of the reports when all data have been submitted.

The new board officer designations were discussed. Rick Gold will continue as president until May after the sectional when Maria Marshall will take over as president. She will currently serve as vice president and tournament director. Lorraine Gordon will serve as recorder. Patricia Kell will be secretary. Valerie Gwin will be hospitality chairman. Lance Malkind will be the new treasurer. Gene Katz will be assisting Maria with tournaments, as will Patricia Kell.

Unit game dates are: January 6, February 10, March 10, April 7, May 19, June 2, July 14, August 11, September 15, October 13, and December 15. There will not be a unit game in November due to the sectional. Valerie Gwin will confirm dates with Ocean Hills.

New Business:

Lance Malkind and Maria Marshall will be added to the Wells Fargo bank accounts.

The minutes document that Lance Malkind is now treasurer and Maria Marshall is president elect. Christine Denny will relinquish her title as treasurer and be removed as a board member and will be taken off of the checking account.

Rick Gold reviewed several email scam attempts to get money which were aborted. The need for careful review of monetary requests was discussed.

Business for 2019:

Possible changing of start times for the sessions at the sectional was discussed and tabled.

Christine Denny has asked to be relieved of all duties and her responsibilities will be reassigned in January. Lorraine Gordon will assume responsibility for partnerships.

The financial loss from the sectional was discussed. Options include raising card fees. As the church will be increasing rent for the sectional, the option of other locations was raised. There was some discussion of possibly merging units 531 and 549. This will be further discussed.

Mechanisms to increase attendance were also discussed..

Rick Gold suggested direct payment to Ocean Hills but they may require that payment be from a member. This will be affirmed in discussion with Ocean Hills.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 AM by President Rick Gold.

Respectfully submitted by secretary Joan Kroener.