American Contract Bridge League Unit 531

Board Meeting Minutes

October 13, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 11:03 AM by President Maria Marshall

Those board members present were: Maria Marshall, Lance Malkind, Gene Katz, Lorraine Gordon, Rick Gold, Valeria Gwinn and Patricia Kell. Also, present was Don Cooper.

The minutes for the September, 2019 meeting were approved as written and may be published.

Treasurer Malkind reported that Unit has \$5,885.66 in the Business Market Rate Savings; \$2,617.83 in the Checking Account and in two time accounts with a combined value of \$14,180. The Unit received a check from the ACBL in the amount of \$1,380 for membership dues. The August Unit game loss - \$87.50. Treasurer Malkind received a reply from the ACBL regarding the use of a local director for Sectional Game stating that the ACBL replied "I definitely appreciate the need to keep cost down as much as possible." Bank signing privileges were discussed.

President Marshall reported regarding name tag sales stating that Mary Fenton would continue until the end of the year. Thereafter, someone else would need to continue this program.

The board discussed dates for the 2020 unit games. The following dates were selected: January 5, February 16, March 8, April 5, May - open, June 14, July 12, August 9, September 6, October 4 (election), November – open and December 6. President Marshall reported the November 2019 Sectional preparation were continuing. The Board discussed the menu for the December, 2019 Unit which would be a potluck, plus. The Unit Game for December, 2019 was moved to the second Sunday, December 8, 2019.

The Board discussed the Friday game directed by John Coulombe at the El Corazon Senior Center. It was determined that all questions regarding this game should be directed to John. A discussion was held regarding an Insurance Policy versus a Bond for the Friday Game. The Board agreed that since this is an issue concerning only the Friday game that all decisions regarding this game should be answered by the director of the game.

No further information was available regarding a new venue search for the Unit Games.

President Marshall reported the "After School Bridge" for teenagers at the Solana Beach Library will need to have a new coordinator.

Lorraine Gordon discussed the unit roster for the Unit. It was agreed that members who signed up would receive the roster via email, all others could purchase a roster.

The Board discussed the need for someone to open the shed for Unit 549 to borrow tables and chairs for their Sectional Game. The Board agreed to give a key to the shed to Allen Turner, President of Unit 549.

Consent Agenda:

Meeting adjourned 11:55.

Fran White to administer Director exam to Elizabeth Youngman.

December Unit Game to be moved to second Sunday.

Election of new board members to follow during the Unit Game. The Board discussed the duties of official and unofficial board positions. There are three members to be elected to the board. The persons listed on the ballots were: Don Cooper, Jack Benoualid and Joan Lubowe. Results will be announced by President Marshall. New board position will be announced after the January, 2020 board meeting.

Respectfully Submitted: Patricia Kell, Secretary	Maria Marshall, President		