Minutes of the D-20 Board of Directors Meeting Oregon Coast Regional Rivertide Suites, Seaside, OR Friday October 4, 2013

Molly Harris, President	Rich Carle, NA Events Coordinator, Webmaster	Bob Peery, Area 8, Vice President
MerlinVilhauer, District Director,	Larry Crumb, Area 2, Tourn Coordinator	Sam Asai, Board of Governors; Area 9
Chip Dombrowski, Trumpet Editor	Steve Kaessner, NA Committee	Marilyn Vilhauer, Tournament Contract
Merle Stetser, Area 4	Sue Kroning, Area 6, Treasurer	Mary Alice Seville, Education Liaison
Margi Redden, I/N Coordinator	Gee Gee Walker, Area 7, Secretary	Marie Ashton Business and Tournament manager
Nelda Linman, Board of Governors	Pat Pommerenck, Area 1	Ian Martindale, Area 3
Bill Cook, ACBL President	Myra Cook	

1. Call to Order- Molly Harris 4:40

- a. Molly welcomed ACBL President Bill Cook and his spouse, Myra to Seaside and our meeting.
- 2. Approval of Minutes-Eugene, July-Molly Harris Sue Kroning moved to approve the minutes, Merlin Vilhauer seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
- 3. **President's Report- Molly Harris** Molly reported that the Board and attendees were great about sending out their reports to the Board before the meeting so that could be reviewed. She emphasized that she is anxious to appoint a new Finance Committee member to replace Bob Hormel. Molly announced that she will be out of the country from Oct 26-Nov 21and that Vice President Bob Peery will be standing in for her.
- 4. **Treasurer's Report-Sue Kroning** Sue reported that she reviewed the financial reports for the period ending June 30, 2013.
- 5. Financial Statements-Marie Ashton Sam Asai moved to approve the Statements of Reserves at 8/31/2013, the Income Statement for the 7 months ended 8/31/2013 and the 2013 Emerald Empire Regional report as presented. Larry Crumb seconded; motion passed unanimously. Reserves at 8/31 were \$186,232; 7 month loss is \$6,913 and the Emerald Empire Regional net income was \$12,788. Reserves as of 8/31/13 were higher than last year for three main reasons: 1) Preregistration income for Jerry Helms seminar, 2) 2012 was Medford tournament which nets less income than this year's Eugene income, 3) Timing in payment of expenses between the two years.

6. Tournament Manager-Marie Ashton:

- a. Marie referred to her written report to the board
- b. Seaside is up 17% for the year; Wednesday was the largest day with 250 tables.
- c. Marie emphasized that the last Reno tournament is in 2014 and encouraged the board to attend.
- d. She also asked the Board to assist with promoting 2014 as there are five tournaments.

7. Tournament Contracts-Marilyn Vilhauer

- a. Marilyn reiterated her report about negotiating with the Riverhouse in Bend for 2016.
- b. She is looking for space for Seaside for 2014.

8. District Director-Merlin Vilhauer

- a. Reported that GNT team master point limits have increased for 2014 as have those for Red Ribbon Pairs.
- b. The motion Merlin made at ACBL for allowing online play in NAP (pairs) did pass.
- c. Merlin would like suggestions for Goodwill committee members and recipients of charitable grants.

9. Tournament coordinator-Larry Crumb

- a. Larry stated that his spreadsheet is available to board members via email.
- b. Larry mentioned to Bill Cook that he would like some improvements to TourneyTrax.

10. North American Events-Rich Carle

- a. Rich reported on progress towards the online 2013 NAP District finals. They will be held in numerous venues.
- b. District clubs can hold grass roots funds events in every session during January, 2014 and in some sessions during many months of the year. The advantage to the players is that the events pay 70% of sectional awards. The extra money raised will help pay to send our players to ACBL finals in NAP and GNT events.
- c. Rich is pursuing a discussion with the Finance Committee about a method for accepting online payments for NA Event registrations.
- 11. **Trumpet**-Chip Dombrowski- Chip discussed his report on copywriting the Trumpet. Sue Kroning will check with someone she knows with the Daily Astorian newspaper about the copy write issue. Chip stated that he would run the idea by our Of Counsel, Mike Redden.
- 12. Intermediate/ Newcomer-Margi Redden- Margi reported that she is very pleased with the speakers in Seaside and that the I/N reception was a big success. Margi noticed that the Gold Rush pairs are down in this tournament. She would like a pair game with an upper limit higher than 750, but lower than 2,000 masterpoints.
- 13. Education-Mary Alice Seville- 15 tables for the Jerry Helms seminar; Mary Alice reported that the attendees were wildly enthusiastic about Jerry. 20 teachers attended the reception held for them. The teacher and director training will be held in Sunriver 2014. She is negotiating with Larry Cohen for a seminar in the future. 23 people attended the Learn Bridge in a Day seminar put on by Sue Kroning.
- 14. Bylaws Committee-Sue Kroning The MOPP is in progress; Sue urges the board to review it on the District website. Election procedures are complete for all but 2 areas. Sue moved that a policy be adopted regarding the attendance of D-20 members:

"D20 meetings are open to any D20 member, but those who have no official position with the District shall sit apart from the meeting members, and not speak unless invited to by that person's Area Representative or the President." Bob Peery seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

- 15. Marketing Committee-Ian Martindale. Manny Suarez wrote a letter with suggestions for attracting new members which Ian cited in the meeting. Ian asked the board to encourage the clubs to take advantage of the advertising dollars available from ACBL.
- 16. Goodwill Committee-Marilyn Vilhauer. Marilyn announced that Merle Stetser, Mary Alice Seville and Mike Eyer have joined the Goodwill Committee. Marilyn referred to her report as to ideas for getting the District committee going.
- 17. Finance Committee-Marilyn Vilhauer. Marilyn announced that the report was written by Mark Tolliver and her. The Committee approved the Boards motion to grant an expense reimbursement to Rich Carle in the amount of \$500 for 2013, but they would like to review for next year. The committee discussed briefly the motion Gee Gee brought from Tournament Manager and Marketing Committee should work together on advertising ideas for regionals. Sue Kroning moved that the Marketing Committee will look into the advertising for regionals and bring a report to the board. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. Marilyn reported the rational for keeping the reserves at \$175,000 per past board action. Discussion ensued.
- 18. New Business-Molly Harris: Molly presented two suggestions by Sam Asai: 1)A party in Reno 2014;2) Pre duplicated boards for our regional pair events.
- 19. Meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be the annual meeting at the Oregon Trail Regional.