

ACBL Unit 487  
Board Meeting Minutes  
March 22, 2012

I. Meeting at The Ace of Clubs was called to order by Judy Kay at 5:30 PM. Present were outgoing President Judy Kay, old Board members Chris Gibson, Marie Pinch, Brian Thomas, Ralph Jones and Barbara Pyles, and new board members Nancy Jonske and Bill Fry. Also in attendance was tournament director Alan Johnson.

A. The Board elected Ralph Jones President, Brian Thomas Secretary, and Chris Gibson Treasurer. Barbara Pyles agreed to be Caddy Master and Partnership Chairperson. Nancy Jonske and Bill Fry will be Education Chairpersons. Marie will be Hospitality Chairperson with the assistance of Ralph and Chris.

B. The Board agreed to reduce the entry fee at Sectionals to \$3.00 for players under 26 with student ID. Ralph suggested, and the Board concurred with, posting Sectional flyers at locations at PSU. Ralph agreed to do so.

C. The February board meeting minutes were approved, with the addendum that the Board agreed that it was not worth the time, effort, and money to send postcards promoting Sectionals to Unit members with 0 – 5 masterpoints.

D. The Treasurer's Report was approved.

II. Old Business

E. Nancy gave a report on the education program that was just completed with Middle School students from Catlin Gable. She thought it would be useful for the Unit to purchase a teacher's manual, and will check into the cost. Chris mentioned that it could be purchased at a discount by going through Doug Jansen.

F. Judy made several suggestions concerning next year's election party. First, she suggested that there be **two** non-playing directors, in view of the large turnout of players. Second, she suggested the Board make some arrangement for facilitating voting by unit members who play at the 3 Invitational Clubs rather than at the Ace or the Eastside. Third, she suggested the Board consider adding a third limited section for new players. Next year's Election Party is scheduled to be on Sunday, March 10, 2013 at the Ace of Clubs. The Board agreed that having 2 non-playing directors was appropriate. Nancy thought that ballots, envelopes, and ballot boxes could not be left at the Invitational clubs but that they could be taken to those games by game directors or others (as was done this year). The Board did not generally favor

the addition of a third limited section; several members favored the concept of encouraging new players to play with more experienced players. Chris raised the possibility of having three strata based on the life master status of partnership. Finally, Judy suggested, with general agreement, that there be signup sheets at both clubs, so that the Election Party directors would have advance notice of the turnout. Ralph suggested also urging people to try to arrive early, in view of the delay in getting play started. Judy then turned the meeting over to new President Ralph Jones.

### III. New Business

G. Ralph suggested that the Board purchase a few "UNIT 487 Board Member" identification badges, since some members had one and several did not. The Board agreed, and Ralph agreed to order the badges.

H. Ralph will inquire where the recycling containers came from at the Vancouver Regional. There was some discussion of the cost of paper cups at Costco and other locations.

I. The Board reviewed the flyer for the Fall Sectional tournament and made the following corrections: Partnership: Barbie Pyles (ph no, email); \$3 for under 26 w student ID; limited sections to be 0 – 500 NLM; add 0 – 500 pairs Saturday at 5:30 pm. Alan will talk to Rich Carle to correct the Division 20 website.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, April 11, 2012, 5:30 P.M. at Eastside Bridge Club.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 PM.