

**ACBL Unit 487 Minutes  
Eastside Bridge Club  
Wednesday, July 10, 2013**

- I. The meeting was called to order at 6:01. Present were Brian Thomas, George Crawford, Chuck Swart, Alan Johnson, Molly Harris and Katherine Morris. Inez Weiss, Marie Pinch, Nancy Jonske, and Judy Kay were not present.
  
- II. The minutes of May 9, 2013 and the treasurer's report were approved.
  
- III. Molly Harris reported on discussion items at the upcoming district board meeting.
  1. Education: the Education Festival in Seaside, featuring a Jerry Helms seminar. There will also be a presentation of the LBIAD (Learn Bridge in a Day) program, and a gathering for teachers (with Jerry, I believe). This may be the last Education Festival in Seaside, which is nearing capacity. We are hoping to schedule the next one in Vancouver in 2015.
  
  2. National Events: The Grand National Teams events were conducted on-line in 2013 (after a pilot of the championship flight in 2012). We are hoping that ACBL will let us conduct the 2013 NAP event on-line as well. On-line competition is the best way to establish the most deserving winners of these events, given the geographic diversity of our district. The National Events Committee is refining the Conditions of Contest to reflect on-line competition.
  
  3. MOPP: The Bylaws committee is working on a Manual of Policy and Procedures. Sections will be placed on the District 20 website as they are approved by the board.
  
- IV. A review of the May sectional brought forth the following:
  - a. George will confer with Inez re creating a signup sheet for board members who will be able to support hospitality during various time slots. This will help ensure that people are available when needed and that the burden does not fall heavily on 2 or 3 people.
  
  - b. Food costs were reviewed. It was decided to reduce the number of lunches for Sunday to 125. No change in the cost of the lunches will be made.
  
  - d. Alan reviewed the numbers from the sectional. The Saturday evening game had a big dropoff from the afternoon game. Alan and

Jeff Jacobs suggested we consider changing the Saturday times to earlier, possibly 10 AM and 3 PM, with a special game like fast pairs in the evening. We decided that feedback was needed. George will draft a notice to be put in OBTY, and posted at the clubs. This will need to be decided before the September sectional so that flyers can be created.

V. The board received a request for financial assistance for Jake Olsen to attend the Junior National tournament. The ACBL will match up to \$300 of support from the unit. The unit has no procedures for this kind of request. Chuck will draft one. In the interim, this request was approved. Brian will notify Judy, Trish (Jake's mother) and the ACBL.

VI. The next meeting will be held at the Ace of Clubs at 5:30 on August 15<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50.

Respectfully submitted.

Katherine Morris