ACBL D-20 Organization, Inc. Board Meeting, October 3, 2024 Pig n Pancake, Seaside, OR

In attendance:

| Don Marsh, President                               | Sam Asai, Area 1 Representative                                 | July Ratley, Area 2 Representative                                   |
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| Ruth Johnson, Area 6 Representative                | Pam Hughes, proxy for Lorraine<br>Rodich, Area 7 Representative | Kevin Kacmarynski, Area 8<br>Representative                          |
| Marie Ashton, Business Manager                     | Dennis Harms, Treasurer, Education<br>Coordinator               | Rich Carle, Secretary, Web Master,<br>D20 Declarer                   |
| Jim Wheeler, Tournament Manager                    | Roger Thomas, Finance Committee<br>Chair via ZOOM               | Jeff Jacob, Tournament Coordinator                                   |
| Susie Leo, I/N Coordinator                         | Margot Hennings, ACBL President                                 | Jackie Zayac, Region 12 Director                                     |
| Allison Evans, Regional Committee<br>Chair, ZOOMer | Carol Harms, guest  | Absent: Jill Wood, Merle Stetser and<br>Sheri Markwardt, Areas 3,4,5 |

President Don Marsh called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

He first gave the floor to Karen Rise, D-19 President. She said she would like to introduce the idea of advertising each other's Regionals in our respective newsletters. D-19 is planning to start one soon.

Don announced that this will be his last meeting as President and thanked everyone who works in the District. The Board thanked him for his three years and hard work.

The following motion was made by Jim Wheeler via email on 9-25-24:

I move the District give \$3,000 to the Maui Relief Fund, \$4,000 to the Oregon Food Bank, \$1,000 to Neighborhood Impact in Bend, \$1,000 to Food for Lane County and \$1,000 to Good News Rescue Mission in Redding.

The motion was seconded by Don Marsh via email and passed unanimously at this meeting.

Don then introduced ACBL President Margot Hennings who spoke to the Board about the new governance of 13 Regions replacing 25 District Directors. She also mentioned items the Board will be working on during the year. She then introduced our Regional Director, Jackie Zayac who leads the ACBL Membership Recruitment and Retention task force. Jackie said she is advocationfor the creation of a Social Bridge Division of ACBL to be run by clubs. She mentioned that one such game is now running in Portland. Rich Carle noted that the Vancouver Bridge Club has also started a monthly social bridge game.

Marie presented the financials for the 9 months ended September 30 showing reserves of \$165,311 and net income of \$6,564. The Oregon Trail Regional had an income of 13,047 and the High Desert Regional a loss of \$3,421. She also mentioned that our bond investments through Schwab are doing very well, with income this year to date of \$3,796.

Roger reported that the treasury bond investment will mature in February and the Board will need to decide what to do with the funds.

Don nominated Alison Evans for the position of District President with a term beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>. Kevin seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Jim Wheeler reported that Seaside table count is close to estimates at this time. He recommends using the 10:30/3:30 start times for another year. He has a contract for Redmond for 2025. There was a discussion about making it an annual tournament, but no decision was made. Jim reported that the Tournament Manager Committee, consisting of Amy, Don, and himself, will review applicants for the OTR and Seaside. They have a number of candidates.

Rich Carle made the MOPP report summarizing the work done by the Committee which included Allison and Kevin. The revised MOPP was sent to the Board to review. He moved for adoption, subject to one late revision requested by Jeff, to say there is one Tournament Coordinator. July seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Don complimented the committee on the work done, and Alison said it was mostly Rich. Another project the committee is working on is standardization of election procedures throughout the District.

Jeff, as Tournament Coordinator, asked the Area Reps to encourage all Units to hold some kind of tournament. He is available to explain the options.

Susie Leo said the I/N players really enjoy having their own space. She encourages the TMs to provide that if possible.

Dennis reported that he is working to get teachers connected via email threads to provide a support network. He also is getting more education information on the website.

July is working with Jeff to schedule a Redding Sectional and is still interested in a Regional.

Pam said it would be a good idea to advertise the High Desert Regional as Redmond/Bend to enhance name recognition.

Allison will determine the date and time of the Annual Meeting at the Oregon Trail Regional.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15. Sam brought apples.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Ashton

February 1, 2025