

American Contract Bridge League Unit 531

Board Meeting Minutes

May 27, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 11:15 by President Patricia Kell

Those board members present were: Patricia Kell, President; Carol Boyer, Vice-President; Lance Malkind, Treasurer; Norman Schwartz, Recorder; Donald Cooper, Web-Master and Jack Ackrell, Pinola Coordinator. Fran White, Recorder and NAOP/GNT/STAC Coordinator was not present.

The minutes for the November 18, 2021 meeting were approved as written and may be published.

Treasurer Malkind informed the Board regarding efforts to up-date Board information at Wells Fargo Bank and the multitude of errors made by the Bank. A motion was made by Recorder Schwartz and seconded by Vice President Boyer to approve Treasurer Malkind making arrangements to secure a new bank. In this regard, Treasurer Malkind is to coordinate with Recorder Schwartz and report back to the Board his findings to secure a new bank. Regarding the Articles of Incorporation required by banks, Vice President Boyer suggested that the Secretary of State be contacted. Treasurer Malkind reported that there is approximately \$3,000 in saving, \$4,000 in checking and \$21,810 in CD accounts.

President Kell updated the Board regarding the Unit Games being played at the Club Level. 20 of the 24 Unit Championship Games allotted by the ACBL have been assigned to Clubs. It was suggested the remaining 4 be held to be used by the Unit. A motion was made by Vice President Boyer and seconded by Web Master Cooper and unanimously agreed to reimburse all excess experiences over and above those normally incurred by the Clubs because of holding Unit Championship Games at the Club Level. Treasurer Malkind agreed to expedite these payments.

Unanimously the Board agreed there should be a Holiday Unit Championship Game. Vice President Boyer agreed to coordinate efforts in this regard and report back to the Board. It was unanimously agreed the game should include an appropriate lunch, adjusted fees for members of Unit 531 and non-members. Vice President Boyer stated the Oceanside Women's Club venue would be available at a cost of \$100 rental fee, \$300 damage deposit, and \$50 cleanup fee. The venue would hold approximately 20 tables with plenty of parking. It was unanimously agreed to use the Women's Club. Treasurer Malkind suggested some effort should be made to have a social gathering after the Friday game, it was agreed upon.

Web Master Cooper reported the Web Page has been updated with information regarding Directors Burcham and Goldstein games, all games no longer in existence have been removed and additional changes will be made as needed.

Web Master Cooper announced he is willing to purchase names tags for those requesting them up to 100 at no cost to the requestor. It was unanimously agreed that a flyer with a section to be filled out and submit to the Web Master, also an announce on the web site would be appropriate. The Board unanimously thanked Don Cooper for his generous contribution to the furtherance of Bridge within the community.

President Kell updated the Board on the use of the Oceanside First Presbyterian Church venue for a Sectional. The Church is in the process of changing it's position on the rental of the venue. We will continue our search for a venue to be used for a Sectional. The ACBL's announcement of the 20% increase awards for Sectionals was discussed.

The Board discussed the use of Pinola for announcements concerning the Unit. Coordinator Ackrell acknowledge that he is willing to act in this capacity. It was explained that Pinola is a system created by and within ACBL to make announcements to a restricted demographic regarding the activities of Units. The Board acknowledged the need to discuss annual elections of Board members.

A request by Joan Lubowe to use the Unit resources to request contributions for Alzheimer research was discussed. No decision was made. Although, some members expressed a desire to individually contribute.

Meeting adjourned 11:55.

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Patricia Kell, President