

American Contract Bridge League Unit 531

Board Meeting Minutes

April 7, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 11:03 AM by President Rick Gold.

Those board members present were: Rick Gold, Lance Malkind, Gene Katz, and Patricia Kell, late arrivals were Maria Marshall and Don Cooper. Lorraine Gordon and Valeria Gwinn were absent.

The minutes for the March 10, 2019 were unanimously approved as written.

The treasury report was discussed. Treasurer, Lance Malkind, reported as of April 6, 2019, there was \$1,385.41 in the Business Market Rate Saving Account and \$4,046.99 in the checking account, the two time accounts (CD's) contain \$9,000.00 and \$5,000.00. Treasurer Malkind reported the two time accounts containing \$14,000.00 are not showing up on the web site, he will investigate to determine the status of these two accounts. Treasurer Malkind stated he would like to establish on-line banking for the Unit. The Board unanimously agreed. Treasurer Malkind stated he would like to investigate the possibilities of setting up a credit card acceptance for unit and sectional games. The Board unanimously agreed. It was reported that the March Unit Game had a net loss of \$87.42. It was agreed that a check in the amount of \$160 would be sent to North County Bridge Center for facility rental for the March Unit Game.

Treasurer Malkind reported he continues to search for a microphone.

Gene Katz reported there has been no progress in his search for a new venue for the Unit/Sectional Game. Don Cooper suggested four new locations. Maria Marshall suggested the Elks Club in Oceanside and the Baptist Church. Members continue their individual searches for a new venues.

The May Sectional scheduled for May 10 & 11, 2019 was discussed. The November dates have not been confirmed. Maria Marshall reported that food for May Sectional would be provided as follows: Friday, Maria assisted by Valeria ; Saturday, Diane Cleary with the available help from church staff. Treasurer Malkind will discuss with the Church payment of venue rental for the May Sectional. The telephone number for the Church coordinator was exchanged.

Gene Katz volunteered to coordinate pairs for the May 19th Swiss Pairs Game. Members discussed the number of boards which need to be made for the Swiss Pairs game and the need to coordinate with Ida Burcham regarding this matter. Also, discussed was cut-off dates, reservations, and extra sets of boards if needed. Also, discussed was the August 11th Swiss Team event. Members unanimously agreed Swiss Pairs brackets would be C – 0/1,000; B – 1,001/2,500 and A – 2,501 +.

Maria Marshall reported the Teenage After School Program at the Solana Beach Library has been confirmed to begin April 24th through June 12th. Maria continues to look for additional mentors to assist with the program. Maria opined that her goal was to assist and encourage the participants to use Bridge Base On-Line to play.

The Board tabled a request from Harvey Goldstein regarding the purchase of additional bidding boxes for his game.

Respectfully Submitted: Patricia Kell, Secretary

Rick Gold, President