

ACBL Unit 143 Board Meeting Minutes, April 14, 2021

Location: The meeting was conducted on-line using ZOOM.

Attendees: Mark Boswell, Don Chase, Terry D'Amato, Diane Deutch, Ken Obrecht, Jan Potts, John Welte, Kelly White, Mark Zellmer.

Absent: Dennis Abeln, Maureen Curran.

The meeting was called to order by President John Welte at 7:05 PM

Secretary's Report: Revision 2 minutes from the February board meeting were submitted via email by Dennis. The minutes were approved as submitted.

President's Report:

The May Sectional was cancelled by the ACBL.

The August Regional was cancelled by the ACBL. A letter has been written to the Renaissance Hotel by Mark Boswell and Mark Zellmer on behalf of Unit 143 stating the reasons for the cancellation.

Mark B. states that the ACBL will not resume Regionals until at least October.

John reports that District 8 has a new tournament coordinator Peter Wilke. Peter Wilke has been appointed by the ACBL. He will be replacing Rick Beye.

Mark B. suggested scheduling the October annual meeting stating that bylaws require a postcard not email. The bylaws would have to be changed in order to notify members using email.

Treasurer's Report: Kelly had submitted the monthly treasurer's report via email. The report was approved as submitted.

District 8 Report: Mark B. no activity.

Tournaments: Mike C. Absent, no report.

Committee Reports

Awards: Mark B. List requested of recent New Life Master from Kelly so the members can be acknowledged. Ace of Clubs certificates will be sent to members. Medals for the Mini McKenney awards are being ordered by Kelly. John will be sending the certificates and medals.

Bidding Boxes and Time Clocks: Mark B. no activity.

Caddies: Maureen. Absent. No report.

Datebook: Dennis. Absent. No report.

Membership: Jay Shah submitted report through email.

Publicity: position vacant. Emails will be sent instead of postcards. Postcards will be sent if no email is available. Kelly will request email addresses.

299er Tournaments: Ken. No activity.

Unit Electronic Contact: Kelly. Kelly has updated changes in the unit.

Unit Games: Mark B. District 8 is running the online GNT games May 1 and 2.

Website: Terry. Terry is keeping the website up to date. She asked Don Chase to submit bio and a photo to post on Unit 143.

Hospitality: Diane. No activity.

Camp Scholarships: Jan. No activity.

Education: Mark Z. No activity.

New Player Services: Jan. Jan has reached out to new members through email and offers contacts if they need one.

District 8 Advocate: Debbie. Absent. No report.

Finance: Ken. No activity.

Nominations: Mark Z. Mark will be contacting Debbie Romero to find out the guidelines and time commitment for publicity. He has a list of several names that he will contact to fill the publicity vacancy.

Bylaws/Rules Review: Dennis. Absent. No report.

Photographer: Diane. No activity.

Old Business: John reports Unit 143 game boards and dealing machines are stored without cost at the St. Louis Bridge Center.

John reports that our new tournament coordinator Peter Wilke will provide Bridge Mates for our tournaments. Peter has also agreed to prepare the boards for our tournaments. John is going to inform Mike Carmen.

New Business: The Washington University Bridge Club has reached out to the bridge community. Their information has been forwarded to the local clubs.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be conducted using ZOOM on Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at 7PM.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:57PM.

Minutes submitted by Diane Deutch April 22, 2021.

