

MINUTES - DENVER UNIT 361 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Denver House of Card – April 4, 2011

President James Calhoun called the quorum. Attending were Board Members Bob Eberhardt, Carol Levinson, Nancy Rainwater, Jerry Marrs, Don Heitler, Blair Young, and Sherry Levitt. Also attending was Forest Clark. The agenda was approved and the minutes for the March meeting were accepted. President Calhoun appointed Forest Clark as the Parlimentarian.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u>

Don Heitler handed out the balance sheet, and income statement. He reported that all checks were sent for bills received but the adjustment to income may change because the ACBL adjustment may have been posted twice. The income statement is from Sept 1st to April 1st. We have a tax due date of May 1st, which Don is going to extend in order to properly prepare the tax return. Copies will be available once the return is prepared. The treasurer's report was accepted.

Hospitality Report:

Nancy Rainwater reported the pizzas, served on Saturday, were a big hit. The catering for Sunday was good. Some materials were over bought, but will be used for the I/N Tournament.

Sectional Tournament:

There was a minimal loss at the Jeffco sectional. Bob Eberhardt reported that the fairgrounds workday ends at 10 p.m., and we are charged \$150 per half hour for overtime, to clean and clear the facility. It was proposed to start the Thursday and Friday night games at 6:30 to avoid having the pay the overtime. It was also reported that complaints have been received that there is too much time between the morning and afternoon games on Saturday. The board decided to move the Saturday times to 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., for the next sectional in July, and listen to the feedback from the players to see if that time frame meets with their approval. It was also the board's decision to leave the Thursday and Friday night games at 7 p.m. The director, Bill, has stated he will cut one director from each session, which will be a big savings for us. The board decided to hire a TA, to aid the directors. The TA will receive pay for his meals, motel and mileage, since he will be traveling from Ft.Collins. We will try to find a TA locally (from the Denver area), for future assistance with tournaments. Bob will keep track of free plays in the future. There was \$900 in free plays last year. Further discussion on what constitutes a free play for the volunteers at the next meeting.

Regional:

Don Heitler prepared a handout for the ten speakers who will lecture at the tournament. There will be five local speakers and five out of town speakers. The local speakers are Marvel, Norma Sands, Kurt, Anita Heitler and Flo. Bruce Ferguson, Kitty Cooper and Jade Barrett are three of the out of town speakers. Don is trying to get Robert Todd and one other. We will take a ¼ page ad in the Forum for the regional, and list the speakers in the ad. Jim reported that Ann Martinez has 25 confirmed caddies for the regional. We need 57 caddies. The caddies are paid \$35 per session.

Partnerships:

Sherry Levitt reported the sectional went smoothly. The partnership desk placement was perfect. Wireless will be available at the regional, and there will be signs for Sherry, Nancy, Shelby (cookie sales), for registration and 199r's speakers. There will also be a screen projector available.

Old Business:

<u>Website</u> – Blair Young will chair a website committee, to improve the current website. Kitty Cooper created the District 17 website for about \$800-\$900.

<u>Tables and Containers</u> - 50 tables have been recovered and paid for. They need to be picked up. We have six containers but need two more to hold all of our tables, at \$200 each. The board approved the building of two more containers. Jim Calhoun will build them. We discussed a container to hold the player paraphernalia, but decided to postpone the decision for the next meeting, to allow further discussion.

The small tables were miscounted. We thought there were 14 small tables, but there are 23. We have no extra tables at this time. A motion was made and approved to purchase ten new tables, at a cost of \$63 per table.

New Business:

Since there was a resignation of a board member, we have appointed Tom Burger as a new member of the board.

Jerry Marrs agreed to become the new Vice President, as Jim Calhoun has become the president.

The meeting was adjourned. The next board meeting will be held on Tuesday May 3rd at Denver Metro Bridge at 4:30 p.m.

Respectively submitted, Carol Levinson