

MINUTES - DENVER UNIT 361

Denver House of Cards - June 3, 2013

President Ruth Pana called the meeting to order. Attending were Board Members Tom Burger, Carol Levinson, John Gallagher, Shelbie Bastiaans, Jim Calhoun, Joan Kushner, Blair Young, Lori Beard, and Bill Beard. Also present were District 17 reps Flo Newlin and Jerry Ranney, and Legal rep Forest Clark, Ethics Advisor Susan Grauer and guest Alice Kinningham.

Minutes for the May meeting were approved as amended.

Regional Wrap-up: We had 2,226 tables. There was very good feedback on getting the labels. However, there was some behavioral issues concerning the free coupons for coffee. We will have to rethink this for the next regional. There was a good response to the handouts of the pencils, the patches, and the tri-folds. There are some remaining tri-folds, which Shelbie will put into the packs for the newcomers. There are also mugs remaining (these were handed out to winners of the pro/am games). The distribution of these remaining mugs will be discussed at the regional committee meeting. John Gallagher suggested we negotiate with the gift shop owners, to see if they can keep the shop open at 3:30, so players can shop at that time.

The pro/am game was a big success. The board voted to give Penny Coffman free plays at the sectional for all her hard work on the pro/am games.

John Gallagher did a good job on the partnership desk. However, he requested, and will receive, additional help for the next regional tournament. He also suggested that helpers wear sashes next year, so players will know who to speak with concerning partners.

A lost and found box will be placed at either the hospitality or partnership desk. These items will be locked up at the end of each evening.

The Bulletin was a big success. A big thanks to Carolyn Newcomb for a job well done. Blair Young reported that he paid the caddies \$15 to help clean up the areas. The caddies did not distribute the candy properly, and this will have to be addressed to make sure it is done correctly at the next regional.

We are giving a matching donation, from the charity game, to the Rocky Mountain Food Bank.

Tom Burger did a good job with pictures. He took lots of pictures of the winners, and also emailed pictures to the winners.

TAP/Director's Course Report - There were 25 participants in the Teacher's Course. We broke even on the cost for this event.

Regional Committee for 2014 - Committee members, Bill Beard, Ruth Pana, John Gallagher, Jim Calhoun, Jerry Ranney and Flo Newlin, will meet at Ruth Pana's house, at a still to be determined date. Bill will e-mail everyone about the time and date in case anyone else wants to join the committee.

There will be a **Budget Meeting** at Tom Burger's house on July 23rd, at 3:00 p.m.

Fall 299r's Committee – Jim Calhoun, chairman of committee will be joined by Committee members Ruth Pana, Shelbie Bastiaans, Jim Calhoun and Bill Beard on June 18th to meet (at HOC) to consider a recommendation to the board. Paul and Steve, of The House of Cards, spoke to the Board and said they are willing to take charge of the whole operation of the 299r games, with the Board providing the advertising for the game and paying \$400 for the rental of the establishment for the weekend. Alice Kinningham will run the game as director, until such time as another person can take over from her.

Nominating Committee - Blair Young, chair of Nominating Committee, will seek additional members for his committee. Joan Kushner volunteered. The committee will then submit names of people who want to run for the Board, to replace the four board members who are retiring this year. They are Shelbie Bastiaans, Tom Burger, Carol Levinson and Ruth Pana. The board will vote on its recommendations.

Sectional Supplies - We want to sell the trailer, which cost us \$4,500, and hope to sell it for \$4,000. Blair Young will list the trailer on Craig's List. However, we still have some hospitality supplies in the trailer and will have to decide what to do with them before we can sell the trailer. A motion was made and tabled to build two more boxes to house these supplies.

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be held on Monday, July 1st, at 4:00 p.m. at The House of Cards.

Respectfully submitted, Carol Levinson

Carol Levinson