

April 2020 Minutes

Attendance: Rick Gardner, Rita Simas, Carol Gumpert, Donna Givner, Jennifer O'Neill, Penny Coffman, Bob Eberhardt, Wayne Eckerling, Rob Vetter, Ed Yosses and Julie Clark. Absent: Vard Nelson

- Call to Order – 10:04 a.m.
- Minutes Approval for last meeting – motion, seconded and approved
- Financial Reports to discuss as required (Sectional / Regional / Other)
 - Unit 361 Treasurer's Report - March 2020
 - Savings Account balance as of March 31, 2019 \$ 59,316.
 - Savings Account balance as of March 31, 2020 \$ 59,349
 - Checking Account balance as of March 31, 2019 \$ 52,816.
 - Checking Account balance as of March 31, 2020 \$ 65,092.
 - Total balances as of March 1, 2019 \$112,132
 - Total balances as of March 1, 2020 \$124,441
 - There are 2 outstanding/uncashed checks totaling \$573.94. Subway has reversed the credit card charge made for the March sectional. We recently received a check from the ACBL for \$1,433.69 representing partial dues reimbursement for 313 Unit members. (This is standard procedure.)
 - We have incurred about \$800 in expenses for the March 2020 sectional (for food and advertising).
 - The unit just received a \$1400 dues reimbursement check from the ACBL
- Action Item Review:
 - Rick - none
 - Rob - none
 - Julie: Status of CVT to AI/En
 - Steel Images is currently closed
 - Received an email on 4/4/20 – they will work on the trophies when they are allowed to open again
 - Ed - none
 - Wayne - none
 - Bob - none
 - Vard
 - Donna - none
 - Rita -none
 - Carol - none

- Sectional Preparation
 - All of March applied to July
- Regional Preparation
 - Currently have 547 rooms booked
 - Last year at this time we had approximately 150 more rooms booked
 - People can cancel up to 1 day before their estimated arrival
 - There are typically many cancellations before the tournament
 - The unit has until April 28th to cancel with the hotel
 - A poll was taken on whether or not to cancel the tournament
 - It was moved, seconded and approved to cancel the regional now
 - A discussion was held about possibly holding the regional later in the year
 - A poll was taken
 - It was moved, seconded and approved to skip the 2020 regional and not try to schedule another date
 - Cancellation plans
 - Rick will notify Gary Ziegler and the ACBL
 - Jennifer will notify District 17
 - Wayne will notify the hotel
 - Rob will change the website and send a Pianola email
- Mentor / Coaching Program
 - Donna is going to make a few more changes
 - Carol is going to contact the Heather Gardens club to determine whether or not they want to be included in the program
 - The updates will be voted on during the next meeting
 - The unit currently has 1370 members
 - 815 members have less than 200 points
- COVID19 status and impact
 - Supporting Metro and HOC ideas
 - Rita, Carol, Donna and Julie will work on an email to unit members about how they can support local clubs
 - Rita will draft the email and send it to the other three
 - Once the email has been approved by the committee, it will be sent to the entire board for approval
 - Suggestions

- Have members pay their future fees upfront and use them gradually
 - Donate what they would have paid while the clubs are closed
 - Fundraiser that auctions off sessions with players
 - A unit wide, multi-club game to help clubs get back on their feet
 - Currently there is an ACBL game on BBO where \$4 of the \$5 entry fee goes to the clubs
 - ACBL uses ACBL Live results to see where you normally play and distributes the money accordingly
- Other Business
 - Rick received a suggestion that the unit create a directory of all its members' BBO names
 - The suggestion was defeated
 - Creating a directory would be a great deal of work and would not be complete
 - People can look up members on BBO to get names
 - People can directly contact players and ask what their BBO name is
 - Rita would like to get the items for the cancelled March sectional moved from her garage to Cowboy Moving and Storage
 - Wayne will help her get that arranged with Cowboy
 - Carol sent an email to the ACBL inquiring about the foreign transaction fee Rob incurred when buying Pianola points
 - Jennifer will take this back to the ACBL and report back
- District 17 Report
 - The District will be holding their May meeting via Zoom
- Action Items for next meeting
 - Rick
 - Contact Gary Ziegler and the ACBL concerning the regional
 - Rob
 - Send Pianola about the regional
 - Update the website about the regional
 - Julie
 - Follow up with Steel Images on Colorado Victory Trophies when they reopen
 - Work with Carol, Donna and Rita on email about helping the clubs
 - Wayne

- Contact the hotel about the regional
 - Work with Rita to get items returned to Cowboy Moving and Storage
 - Donna
 - Make final changes to the Mentor/Mentee document
 - Work with Carol, Rita and Julie on email about helping the clubs
 - Rita
 - Work with Wayne to get items returned to Cowboy Moving and Storage
 - Draft email about helping the clubs
 - Send draft to Carol, Donna and Julie
 - Carol
 - Contact Heather Gardens to see if they want to participate in the Mentor/Mentee program
 - Inform Donna of their decision
 - Work with Rita, Donna and Julie on email about helping the clubs
- Next Board Meeting
 - May 2nd
 - Will either be via teleconference or some video platform