

August 8, 2020 Minutes

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

- Called to Order at 9:03
- A motion was made and seconded to approve last month's minutes
 - The motion was approved
- Action Item Review:
 - Rick
 - New playing site
 - Rick and Julie will be visiting the Arapahoe County Fairgrounds in the near future
 - Rick will be revisiting one of the Armory facilities
 - Other options will still be considered
 - Rob
 - The unit has regular expenses of \$225 per year to update the domain
 - The unit spend \$150 to renew the domain names
 - The new website is up and running
 - A motion was made and seconded to announce the new website to members and make it live for everyone
 - The motion was approved
 - Issues on new website
 - Old pictures need to sorted through
 - There is a temporary mentor page that will be posted
 - The unit needs to be ready when this occurs
 - Partnership page
 - Possible way for people to contact each other
 - Could a virtual partnership board be forwarded to the Partnership Chair?
 - Vard reported that emails in the past have disappeared into cyberspace and he never received the requests
 - Rob can put up a form and send the response to the partnership chair
 - The nominating committee met and came up with a slate
 - Subsequent email identified the slate
 - Rita Simas
 - Tom Barrett
 - Tom Purl
 - Kathleen Kelly
 - Julie Clark
 - Julie: Pro-Am Budget | Distribution of funds raised by the Pro-Am | On Boarding Job Descriptions
 - The unit agreed the Pro-Am should be planned for as though it is going to occur face-to-face
 - If it needs to become an online event, the unit can work on getting it switched

- The committee would like money to be budgeted for a Pianola to be sent out the amateurs
 - The committee would like Carol to do that and will contact her
- The committee requested money for the trophies
 - Any money spent on the Pro-Am needs to be included in the Regional budget, if it is a face-to-face event
- The committee would like a say in how the proceeds from the Pro-Am event are spent
 - The unit asked the committee to submit two proposals and the unit will vote on the proposals
 - One for an online event
 - One for a face-to-face event
- Onboarding
 - The document has been prepared
 - A discussion occurred about membership duties and members not knowing a duty was their responsibility before reviewing the document
 - Some duties have not been done based on this
 - Name badges and some trophies are ordered from Steel Images
 - Some trophies are ordered from some company off of Platte River
- Ed:
 - The unit has not yet received the payment from Jeffco yet
 - Ed expects to receive it some time next week
 - Financial Report
 - Savings Account balance as of July 31, 2020 is \$ 59,354
 - Checking Account balance as of July 31, 2020 is \$65,731
 - There are no uncashed checks
 - The only expense incurred since the June report is for table storage thru mid-October
- Wayne
 - Wayne received a call from Sandy Buckstein about the possibility of the unit looking for its own building
 - Sandy volunteered to help
- Bob
 - The tournaments have been planned two years into the future
 - Future planning had been placed on hold due to discussions about changing the tournament dates
 - The unit approved Bob going ahead and setting future tournament dates without changing them
- Vard - nothing
- Donna
 - In memory of Jan J award discussion
 - Bonnie Smith would like to fund this award as long as she is here
 - The cost will be approximately \$300 in the initial year

- A discussion has occurred about not making this a point count award since so many of the Denver Unit awards revolve around point count
 - A small plaque/trophy will be given to the recipient to keep
 - A larger plaque/trophy will be engraved with each year's winner and kept in a central location like a club
 - Bonnie would like the person's photo to be taken and put in Table Talk
 - Bonnie would like the unit to make the selection
 - Selection process discussion
 - Get input from the mentees – possibly through a survey
 - A committee was formed to determine the process
 - Donna Givner
 - Wayne
 - Jennifer
 - Julie
 - At the next live face-to-face Regional, Chuck Henke and Jan Janitschke will be honored
 - It was suggested the board fund this
 - Rita - nothing
 - Carol
 - Contacted advertisers from the last directory
 - One wants to advertise
 - Two were out of business
 - She received no response from the others
 - Carol received a list of charges from Margaret
 - The cost would be a one year charge, since the directory is only published once every two years
- Regional Preparation
 - The flyer is ready for review – will be sent out shortly
 - Using last year's budget and plans
- Intermediate / Novice Review
 - Program
 - On hold right now since there is no face-to-face bridge
 - Tournament – not discussed
- Mentor / Coaching Program: Participation in Friday's Mentor/Mentee game, any issues?
 - Elly restarted her Friday game
 - Combo of mentor/mentee players and players with a lower combined masterpoint total
 - The unit decided not to work in concert with her at this point
 - It is running successfully as it is
- District 17 Report
 - The District is redoing its website
 - The District is working on how to support online learning
 - Jennifer will continue to update the unit via email when changes occur
 - The election just took place

- Three positions were replaced
 - Sharon Smith, from Steamboat, won Rod Southworth's vacant position
 - Delegates from Mesa and El Paso were also elected
 - The ACBL is undergoing reorganization
 - District 17 will remain intact but be renamed District 10
 - This is not official as of yet
- Announcements
 - Sylvia Shi admitted to cheating on BBO
 - This is bad for bridge and bad for District 17
 - There is a lengthy article on Bridge Winners about this
- Next Board Meeting – September 12, 2020 at 9:00 via Zoom
- Meeting was adjourned at 9:57