

Minutes 10-10-20

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

- Call to Order – 1:37 p.m.
- Minutes Approval for last meeting
 - A motion was made and seconded to approve last month's minutes
 - The motion was approved
- Action Item Review:
 - Rick
 - Meeting at Arapahoe County Fairgrounds went well
 - The is an area where 12,000 square feet is available
 - The county offers a 50% deduction for non-profit organizations
 - The rental would be approximately \$1800 (\$600/day)
 - The site has a kitchen with fewer restrictions than Jeffco
 - \$150 rental/day
 - Cannot sell food without a catering license
 - Cost about \$100 and is easily obtained
 - The pass through for Subway, etc. is acceptable without a catering license
 - Chairs are available
 - \$2.00 per chair for the entire event
 - The total cost would be approximately \$3050
 - A discussion concerning the location occurred
 - The site is really not any further out than Jefferson County Fairgrounds, it's just in the opposite direction
 - The unit may pick up some Colorado Springs or southern players with this location
 - The unit may lose some of the northern players with location
 - A Google search indicated this site is 40 minutes away from Jefferson County Fairgrounds
 - The search for a new site is not necessarily over, if someone locates a better place than Arapahoe County Fairgrounds
 - Right now, Rick is looking to book for July
 - The County allows for cancellation if COVID restrictions are not yet lifted by any government agency or the ACBL
 - Elly Larson is still looking for a suitable location to build a bridge club
 - The unit cannot consider any changes for storage and/or rental for the sectional at this time
 - At this point in time, the ACBL has not made any decisions on the future of online play versus in person play
 - If the ACBL chooses to continue allowing online play, attendance at sectionals and regionals could be negatively affected

- Jennifer anticipates the ACBL will allow online bridge to continue
 - Probably not to the extent it occurs now
 - Rob
 - Election
 - Table Talk was sent to 1400 members
 - It reached 1200 members
 - A physical mailing should be sent to the other 208 members
 - The actual ballot can be sent as early as October 19th, per the bylaws
 - Table Talk could be sent today
 - Carol and Rob will discuss which company to use for printing and/or assistance with mailing
 - Some help may be needed with the mailing
 - A follow-up email listed the members who need to receive the paper ballot
 - A list of people without email or mailing addresses was sent
 - Rob needs assistance in contacting those people
 - Rob would like to send a Pianola 4-5 days prior to the election to remind members to vote
- Julie - Nothing
- Ed
 - Unit 361 Treasurer's Report – September 2020
 - Savings Account balance as of September 30, 2020 - \$ 59,355
 - Checking Account balance as of September 30, 2020 - \$ 69,379
 - There are no uncashed checks.
 - The only expense incurred in September was to Cowboy Moving and Storage for table storage for the period October 14 thru December 14
 - We have received from Jeff Co the \$4,275 rent payment originally made for the March 2020 sectional.
 - We have also received a "Unit Reimbursement "(partial dues reimbursement) from ACBL in the amount of \$1,067.78
- Wayne - nothing
- Bob - absent
- Vard - nothing
- Donna
 - The ACBL sent an active roster and asked that the unit remove any members who have passed away
 - Donna was able to find some obituaries and sent those to the ACBL
 - Donna asked that Board members review the active list and let her know of anyone else they know who has died

- Rob forwarded the list to Board members after the meeting
 - The Membership Chair will be responsible for informing the ACBL when members have died
 - If anyone knows of a member who has passed away, they should contact the Membership Chair
 - The mentor program is currently on hold during the COVID restrictions
 - Elly Larson is running her mentor game on Fridays, but does not need any assistance from the board at this time
 - She does ask that board members who qualify participate with a mentee
 - When live bridge reconvenes, she may need the help the unit was previously providing again
 - Rita
 - Conflict of Interest policy was distributed
 - Rob made a change to include non-financial conflicts as well
 - The policy has been placed on the website
 - Board members will be required to sign it
 - The Secretary will retain copies of the signed documents
 - Carol - nothing
- Regional Status
 - District 17 has approved the budget
 - Suggestions were made for the flyer from one District 17 member
 - Stratifications are not on the flyer
 - The unit chose not to list them
 - The Tournament Director has indicated preset stratifications make tournament management more difficult
 - The Tournament Director would like the flexibility of determining stratifications
 - Free guest membership was not addressed
 - The unit chose not to address it, as it is subject to change
- District 17 Report
 - The District Board has not met since Jennifer sent the email concerning their last meeting
 - District 17 is still going to become “District” 10, but not until other districts have become reorganized
 - There will be no change in composition of the district, just the number will change
- Next Board Meeting will be November 14th at 1:30 via Zoom
- The meeting was adjourned at 2:13 p.m.