

August 21, 2021 Unit 361 Board Meeting

10:01 – meeting started

Attendance: Tom Purl, Carol Gumpert, Ed Yosses, Donna Givner, Rita Simas, Jennifer O’Neill, Tom Barrett, Julie Clark, Kathleen Kelly, Margaret Devere. Absent: Rick Gardner

Approved last month’s meeting minutes.

Ed sent financials in separate email.

Sectional Summit contract: We are not responsible for cancellation due to Acts of God (Covid), or Colorado regulations. We are responsible for 3 days @ \$1500 each if ACBL cancels us. Later discussion was to hold a ‘unit’ club-sponsored game if we have this situation. Do we need any prior approval to do this?

Board of Governors town hall – Carol, Rita, and Kathleen attended. Not too much that affects us. Discussion was around online ‘pools’ across districts, expanding ‘guest’ online for clubs to 20% from 15%, and eliminating sanctions for online games if not a corresponding face2face game (to encourage face2face and discourage new online clubs).

District Representative interviews and election will be at October Board meeting.

Carol – Ready to print 299er flyer. Spoke with Elly and light lunch information is correct. Proof of vaccination will be required. Directories -Almost ready to print. Have made manual corrections to ACBL data pulled 8/4/2021. **Carol will call clubs to re-verify their information.**

Rita – has contacted CU Board of Regents and is starting discussions re. bridge on campus. However, will not pursue details yet or any other activities for now due to covid situation. Same for Tom B. who has been in touch with James Dulan.

Donna – in-person mentor games are difficult because there are not many games where they can play. Only one at Metro (under 1750 avg pts). Working well in Arvada due to smaller club and more one-on-one with mentees (not as intimidating as large Metro game). Clubs will get paid once a quarter.

Margaret – Welcomed by all. Website fees are set to auto renew. **Motion discussed for putting them on direct pay from Bank account rather than personal credit cards. Motion passed.**

Will review web site with board at September meeting. Will post Carol’s list of Board members and phones. Teachers list should refer to D17 web site.

Jennifer/Ed – looked into various payment methods. Discussed Venmo (cheapest but participants must have venmo app), Security issues, Paypal, Wells Fargo, Evalon. **They will give their recommendations at September board meeting, hoping to be put into place for November tourney.** Board agreed we will need a method for accepting credit/debit cards as soon as possible, even if we have to charge more (but we think we can absorb the cost at least for the first few times we use it).

Tom B – arranged to get partnership board and camera from Vard Nelson for Sectional.

Kathleen – Per Roxie, crates can be delivered the day before the Sectional. She will not know until closer to the event when we can set them up (Thurs night or Fri am). Needs to contact Bob Stansbury for help identifying crates to move to Summit. Would like to get vaccination lists from Elly and Warren so people on the list will not have to show evidence of vaccination. Will send 2nd Covid prep plan to ACBL (has not heard any comment on 1st plan submitted). Will have sanitizer bottles and wipes (from Costco). Carol will get wrist bands and masks from Amazon.

Tom P – has sent email to caddies, no response. Then called them. Has 3 caddies for Sat and Sun but 0 for Fri, so far. Trying to get in touch with Mark Henderson regarding church youth group for caddies. Suggestion was to put signs up at clubs to ask for help getting caddies, or ‘celebrity’ caddies (club members). What will we do for caddies’ lunch on Friday and Saturday? Can give them vouchers for something in walking distance? Or have someone get them lunch.

Rita – Reviewed Hospitality plan. Has been in touch with Subway, planning based on 50 tables. Can update Sunday morning. Will check on new carafes (does the dispenser ‘push’ with a cup so people are not touching it?) If not, we may have to buy or rent some. Kitchen staff can use our old ones to dispense hot water. Will have water bottles rather than carafes. Will have cans of soda. **Carol will add info on flyers regarding special diets to bring their own food. Kathleen – find out if Summit has ‘recycle’ bins for cans and paper.**

Julie- Regional budget approved. Will do final schedule later. Gave out Business Cards with QR codes for us to hand out at clubs.

Next meeting – **September 18 at 9:30.**

11:20 – adjourned.