

10/15/22 Board Meeting minutes.

**Attended:** Julie Clark, Susan Grauer, Kathy McMahon, Carol Gumpert, Kevin Stansbury, Vivian Heggie, Rita Simas, Paul Perkowski, Ed Yosses, Kathleen Kelly (phone), Jennifer O'Neill.

9:07 Called to order.

Last month's meeting minutes approved (unanimous).

**Finance report:**

Ed sent in email to everyone. In trying to find tax return status as 501c7 (social club), there is no IRS copy of this exemption on file. It is still ok to claim that as long as the organization acts as such, but Ed will research cost to formalize it.

Final I/N Sectional costs are awaiting payment of sanction fees but around a \$500 profit.

Role write ups and reviews – postponed final review to Jan meeting (Vote: 8 yes, 2 no).

**Regional:**

Eliminated Hyatt because rooms are too expensive.

Don/Wayne are getting sample contracts from Doubletree and Renaissance. Discussed that bathroom situation at Doubletree can work especially if Director can stagger hospitality breaks.

Flyers send them out soon. The final is done, Vivian will print them per quantities provided by Carol. Julie will take some to Phoenix and Kansas City. Carol will mail to Las Vegas and other outside areas. Vivian is looking at patch ideas and will provide to board at next meeting or by email.

**I/N Sectional report:** Kathy

Pluses: Emphasized online signup which helped prepare the correct amount of food.

Many used online partnership desk (about 10).

Saved cleanup charges, kudos to all who helped.

Mary Lyn Darcy training and ask an expert were well received. (we should try to use various teachers so as not to play favorites).

People raved about the food. Discussed whether we should have food at future I/Ns. Decided to continue it for now and review it on a case-by-case basis.

Discussed whether to raise Master Point limits. Per ACBL we can go up to 750. Voted 7 yes, 2 no to raise it to 499 and speak to Theresa about having 2 stratifications/flights. (Kathy action). Update flyer to reflect this (Vivian).

**Front Range Challenge.** Susan:

Will be Sunday Oct 16 from 10-5 pm.

Alice and Susan will be caddies and will clean up.

The teams are Denver-8, Co Spgs -7, Boulder-7, No Colo-5. There may be rounds where Denver plays another Denver team. That will not be included in the FRC results but will be counted for Master points.

Hospitality – Rita is ordering Pizza from Papa Johns (Leetsdale & Monaco) with a 40 or 50% discount. Will provide cake and pie as afternoon snack. Rita pulled out items from storage crates that she needs and consolidated needed crate for Sectional.

**Sectional:** Kathleen

Went through Main Hall with Lexie. We can use kitchen for water and ice.

Kathleen will be there when crates arrive Thursday afternoon and will be stored between Main hall and East Hall. Setup is Thursday at 3:30. Hospitality only needs Crate #9. Kevin will ensure crates are properly reloaded on Sunday clean-up.

Discussed chairs with Lexie and there are no others to use.

(Vivian) Send out Pianola reminder to 200 mile radius, specify that tourney is in the Main Hall.

Lexie will set up parking signs.

Susan will arrive early to unlock everything.

Kathleen has the vaccination check-in lists. Volunteers (arrive 9:00 am) for checkin are Carol (fr, sat), Kathy (2 days, Fr/Sat?), **NEED 2 more Volunteers for Fr, Sat. Need 4 for Sunday.** . Ed will sell lunch tickets. Kevin and Susan will take lunch tickets for food.

Caddies – Paul will work on this. Only need 2 for Sunday. Rita’s friend Glynna can do it. Kathleen’s grandson can do it. For weekends, caddies must be 13+ years old. Tell players to take boards to designated empty table at the end of a session.

Flyers (Vivian)– should have printed copies available at Sectional for January Sectional, April.I/N Sectional, May Regional.

Susan will run the Annual Election meeting. New candidates must have their petitions in by Saturday, Oct. 22. Do not expect to have any. Motion to accept the 5 slated candidates will be done by Carol, Kevin with Second the motion. Susan will bring it to a vote.

**Education: Susan.**

Sally Ann Reign has a bridge club going in Boulder at CU. Discussed looking into doing this at various other colleges such as CSU, DU, Mines, Regis, Metro State, UNC. Speak to Sally Ann to see how she was able to get this going. Sharon in Steamboat has a club going at Co Mtn College. District and Unit both have educational grant funding available.

Committee created to investigate this: Paul (chair), Ed, Susan.

Discussed creating a flyer about bridge showing clubs and teachers, as a place to make new friends, and posting at various Recreation Centers to attract newly retired, and others. Vivian will bring to next meeting. Also, Kathy said that AFLA is closing which was a major source of training (Sally Knesser).

**Flyers review:** We are having too many new versions of flyers because errors are found piecemeal. Also, not everyone is reviewing the document.

Everyone should 'review and approve' which requires a response from everyone.

Vivian will send out emails with a review due date and time. Email subject will indicate 'action required'. She should let Julie know if she is not getting responses.

Final owners/approvers are: Kathleen for Sectionals, Kathy for I/N, Don/Wayne for Regional. If needed, they should coordinate any consensus on changes.

**Stanchions:** Kevin presented some ideas he and his father have come up with. He will review the current stanchions at the Nov Sectional to see if the bases and posts are functional. He will present more firmed up plans at November board meeting. A lower area for posting results was requested because it is hard to read them when they are up high.

**Wall of Fame:** No further action has been taken on this. Still need to come up with a process and criteria. Vivian said it is hard to find information on many past people. Further discussion tabled to November Board Meeting.

**Website:** Welcome page links Board Elections to Bylaws, article 8 which does not exist. Vivian has seen some old web pages that are still there and need to be removed. She will send a list to Julie. Also, since Board meetings and minutes are open to all membership, we would like to have a calendar on the website which would show date/times of Board meetings and Tournaments. Minutes are already put online.

**Region 10, Jennifer:** nothing new to report except that Diana Gallegos replaced Steve Reynolds.

**Other:**

Carol will not be at November meeting. Kathy will take and write up minutes.

November 19 meeting will be held only on Zoom. Carol will cancel library meeting room.

Rita has suggestions on how to reduce costs for Regionals. She will send it to Cindy Shoemaker, Jennifer O'Neill and Liz Hamilton.

Dec. meeting moved to be on December 10<sup>th</sup>. Carol will look into having it at a restaurant where board members+1 can come. December agenda should be kept small –1) election of officers (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer). 2) January Tournament discussion, 3) Job roles and responsibilities.

Carol – let Ed know if minutes show changes to Mentor point counts.

Paul's email is [perko90@yahoo.com](mailto:perko90@yahoo.com). Kevin's is [Kevin.L.stansbury@gmail.com](mailto:Kevin.L.stansbury@gmail.com) (I is the letter L).

11:25 Meeting ended.