

ADBC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Wednesday, February 14, 2024

Board Members Present: Wayne Corbett, Melody Gann, Dorothy Moore & George Morey. Others Attending: Mary Ellen Stanton, Club Manager

Board Members Absent: Julie Dalquist, Judy Floyd & Larz Smith

The meeting was called to order at 10:30A by President, Melody Gann.

Minutes - The minutes from the January meeting were approved with the proviso that a sentence be added that George will be contacting Blane O'Banion, our Weitzman leasing representative, prior to the February meeting.

Financial Report - George presented the Financial Report which included the final results for 2023.

2023 Financials & Tablecounts

- The 2023 financials have been updated for the actual December online income and expense and accruals for the City of Arlington utility bill and invoice to Talambas CPA to process 2023 1099's to the directors. The actual loss for the year is \$7,228.65 vs the preliminary loss of \$7,036.93 presented at the last board meeting.
- No change to the Tablecount schedule previously provided.

2024 Financials & Tablecounts - January

- The club reported income of \$2,648.17 – an increase of \$430 over the prior January. Excluding dues, donations and one-time sanction fees, the club lost around \$200 for the month.
- Overall Tablecount of 282 tables was the highest since March 2022 thanks to online promotions and Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evening games collectively contributing 26.5 tables (the same games had 9 tables in January 2023, however the Friday evening and Thursday games had not yet started).
- Cash is \$41,398 - up \$226 from year end.
- The lower FTF & Online margins (see bottom of I & E statement) are due to a significant increase in annual sanction fees vs the prior January of \$279.50. Sanction fees for 2024 are \$360 - \$160 for FTF (8 games X \$20/sanction)) and \$200 (10 games X \$20/sanction) for online. The FTF sanctions fees in 2023 were \$80.50 (6 games X \$13.50/sanction). ACBL did not charge for online sanctions in 2023.

February/March Calendar

February – The lunch for the Saturday, February 17th game will be chili.

March – The club will be open March 1 - 2 during the Denton Sectional. The Saturday, March 2nd game will be an ACBL Pop-Up Game in which players can earn 50-50 red and black points. A “potato bar” will be provided for lunch. The Friday, March 8th 12:30 game will be designated as a District 16 Charity Game. The club will be closed March 31st, Easter Sunday.

Note: Subsequent to the meeting, it was decided to close March 1 – 2 for the Denton Sectional and move the Saturday, March 2nd game to March 9th. Also a Royal StaC will replace the games schedule for Monday, March 25th through March 30th. The Saturday game scheduled for March 23rd is now scheduled as part of Royal StaC week. Lunch for the March 30th game will be King Ranch Chicken or pizza.

Game Issues

- Some online games are not making. Dorothy will come back to the board in the event there is a proposal to delete games.
- FTF games – Friday evening and new Thursday games are not consistently making. Doug and Melody are working to promote games.

Education – None

Communications – None

Membership Meeting, Saturday, April 6th – Start time scheduled for 10:30 - 11A depending on meeting content. For lunch the club will provide ham and/or turkey with members bringing sides. Dorothy will manage Nominating Committee including bios and ballots. George will manage everything else (Meeting packets, local charity ballot, possible lease extension proposal, etc.). Any lease extension proposal will be sent to members two weeks ahead of the meeting.

Facility- The club was without power February 13th prior to the Tuesday game. Fox Electric restored power, however, we need to reconfigure our breaker box. George will schedule work with electricians.

Use of Facility – The organization requesting use of the club rescinded their request.

New Business

- Food Allowance - The board approved a reinstatement of a food allowance for all FTF games except Saturday. The allowance will cover food costs incurred by the director and is limited to \$10/game. No receipts required; the director will deduct the allowance from the game proceeds. The allowance is effective March 1, 2024.
- Lesson Fees – Fees stay at \$5/lesson.
- Director, club Manager and Webmaster Fees – Deferred until March Board Meeting.
- Newcomer Games – Insufficient interest.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:30A.