

ADBC BOARD MINUTES MAY 2017

With Anne Ward Williams, Dorothy Moore, Steve Kornegay, Sue Kay Reeder and Melody Gann in attendance (Sue Gilbreath arrived about 5:30), President George Morey called the meeting to order about 5 pm, May 1, 2017.

The agenda was approved, and the board went into executive session for about 30 minutes.

After seeking unit input and policy info from ACBL to respond to Gary Neisler's complaint about awarding of points in limited games where some had played with an ineligible player, the board decided to revise policy because it is in conflict with ACBL rules. ADBC policy guidelines as revised August, 2012, had been followed in these instances. Since ACBL did not request further point adjustments, none will be sent to ACBL other than ones previously determined. Compliance with ACBL has begun. George Morey will write revision of 2012 ADBC policy and send to board for approval via email. In the revised policy an ineligible player is defined as one whose masterpoints exceed the mp limits for a particular game, an ineligible pair is one where one of the players is ineligible, and a phantom pair is one where both partners' mps exceed the point limit for a game. Both will be excluded from ACBL table/fee reporting. For ADBC table count ineligible pairs will be included, phantom will not. Boards played by an ineligible pair will be included in the game; any played by a phantom pair will not. Playing against a phantom pair is effectively a sit-out and optional.

Calendars for May, June and July were considered. A special membership meeting was added for May 20 before the potluck Extra Pt! prs game with free plays to be given to members who arrive before 10:45 am. The purpose of the meeting is approval of the renovation plans. Info will be on display the week before the meeting, and FAQ with answers will be on web as well as at club. Questions should be submitted to George Morey. The calendars for May and the particularly busy month of June are on the ADBC website.

Handling of the more than \$2000 in reno donations was discussed but no concrete decision made. For The Longest Day, Wed, June 21, 2017 the board decided that ADBC will absorb all expenses, no free plays can be used, and all game proceeds will be donated to the Alzheimer cause. A donation box will also be available.

For July, another NAP month, these special events are planned:

July 1: Hot Diggety Dog Sat July 1 before NAP prs @ 1pm;
July 10: Unit Championship prs Mon. pm;
July 15: Potluck at noon, NAP prs at 1pm;
July 30: Sunday Dessert Bridge Charity prs @ 2 pm.

The July mentoring games will be 2nd (to avoid conflict with San Antonio Regional) and 3rd Wed pm.

Both will be NAP prs. See calendar posted at club and soon available on web for other NAP and charity games. The board decided not to hold International Fund Game 2 because it has to be in the morning on Tuesday, July 11 and would conflict with the many area Tue. afternoon games if it started at 11 am or would have players worn out for those games if it started at 9am.

Sue Gilbreath reported preparations for the Arlington June Sectional at the Grapevine Convention Center (GCC) are on schedule and she will be contacting Gary Neisler concerning transportation of tables. Sign-up sheets will be posted at the club for volunteer assistance. We are hoping to have a very successful tournament. GCC has deposit securing 2018 reservation. Sue will investigate possibilities for 2019 reservation and possible fee return if we can find a less expensive venue possibly in Arlington.

Melody Gann suggested scheduling some handicap Swiss as presented in April 2017 ACBL Bulletin and learning more about having club GNT games. Tom Moore will be asked to aid in this. Dorothy Moore also proposed having a pro-am swiss. A pro-am prs was suggested but some thought that more intimidating to newer players than the swiss format. These ideas will be further researched before details decided.

Anne Ward Williams presented info on Pianolo (Bridge software available to clubs via an online link for a monthly fee of \$60 to \$90 depending on table count). There is a free three month trial which will first be available to board members and then game directors and others in the club to test before a decision is made. One of its features is a partnership chair where members can find a partner for various games including club games and tournament games.

George reported he has talked with Buck Buchanan regarding lessons, and Buck is discussing with Chuck Burke to coordinate content. Time still undetermined and possible consistency in fees charged by various teachers under consideration.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Melody Gann, Secretary