

Unit 183 Board of Directors Meeting
Fort Worth Bridge Studio
17 February 2011

The board meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by President Steve Shirey. Members in attendance were Janet Jordan, Carolyn Pinto, Tom Moore, Max Jackson, Margot Hirsch, Diane Washabaugh, Elizabeth Hudson and Dick Simon. Guest in attendance was Dewitt Hudson.

Minutes of Last Meeting. The minutes of the January, 2011 meeting were presented. There being no further corrections, additions or discussion, the minutes were approved and submitted for filing. The minutes were discussed. It was stated that no minutes should be posted in draft form. Minutes will be posted electronically and in hard copy on the Fort Worth Studio bulletin board once meeting minutes are finalized and approved.

Treasurer's Report. Carolyn Pinto presented the report. There being no corrections, additions or discussion, the treasurer's report was accepted and submitted for audit. In addition to the treasurer's report, Carolyn provided a spreadsheet of monthly table counts per game at the Fort Worth Studio. The board expressed their appreciation for Carolyn's work in providing these reports.

District 16 Report. President of District 16, Dewitt Hudson spoke about ACBL memberships in District 16. ACBL has 164,433 paid members. There are 8,945 paid members in District 16. Because of past growth, District 16 was awarded an additional Regional. In order to continue the Regional, District 16 memberships must be maintained and increased. Unit 183 formerly had 1,110 paid members. Currently we have 967 paid members. Dewitt challenged the Unit Board to work to increase membership by 10% in 2011. Margot will continue distributing the ACBL In & Out Report to board members.

Old Business:

Bridge Phone Book. Janet Jordan, chair of phonebook committee, reported that the phone book should be out soon. It will have an orange cover.

Game Director's Responsibilities. Margot Hirsch reviewed the Game Director's Responsibility Guideline: Being Player-Centered. After much discussion, a motion was made, seconded and carried to accept this new guideline. (Carolyn Pinto requested her negative vote be documented)

Financial Audit. President Shirey appointed an audit committee consisting of Carolyn Pinto, Joe Harbour and Kay Jones. They have agreed to conduct the audit of the 2010 financial records and report to the board at a future meeting.

Website Contact List. President Shirey asked the board members to review the website contact list. Elizabeth Hudson will replace Jerry Gladysz as Publicity Chair. President Shirey will make sure all changes are reflected on the website.

New Business:

Sunday and Monday Games. In discussions regarding the Sunday and Monday games, important topics were touched upon. One was how the Unit Board may establish a new game or significantly change an existing one. Second was how does the board choose a director for a new game or existing game. Third, was how does the Board manage holding more than one regular game at the Fort Worth Studio, especially when one of the regular games normally is held at a different site. An example of this situation is when the Monday "Y Game" cannot be held at the YMCA on Memorial Day or Labor Day. Margot agreed to draft some proposed Standing Rules to address these topics.

Unit Games Carolyn Pinto requested the board set a schedule for monthly Unit 183-sponsored games. This item was tabled.

Director Responsibility: Being Player-Centered. Margot presented the document for review and discussion. The Board approved the document. President Shirey will ask the game directors to read and use the information.

Awards Night. Awards Night was discussed. The date was set for Wednesday, April 6, 2011. The schedule will be 6:00 p.m. Food; 6:30 p.m. Awards; and 7:00 pm Game.

Sunshine Report: Margot Hirsch reported that Quin Rainbolt and Michael Walrath passed away.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Originally submitted by Dick Simon, copy attached to these minutes
Corrected version submitted by committee, 15 June 2011