

June 20, 2012
Ft. Worth Bridge Studio
6715 Camp Bowie Blvd.
Ft. Worth, TX 76116

President Washabaugh called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Other members present were J. Cosby, E. Hudson, M. Jackson, T. Moore, C. Pinto, L. Spangler, and M. Williams. Member absent – N. Oliver.

The minutes were approved as forwarded by e-mail.

C. Pinto presented the Treasurer's report. L. Spangler moved to accept the Treasurer's report as presented by C. Pinto. Motion was seconded and approved. C. Pinto also presented a financial report on the spring sectional. M. Williams moved to accept the report. Motion was seconded and approved.

Committee Reports

District 16 – C. Pinto reported Unit 183 will not receive a 6th regional as the membership has fallen to less than 9000. As it stands, Unit 183 will host regionals Labor Day 2012, Fall 2013, Labor Day 2014, and either the fall or spring in 2016 and 2018.

Education - C. Pinto discussed the "Play Bridge in a Day" program. L. Spangler moved that we purchase a kit for the program and specified that only certified teachers be allowed to utilize the kit. Motion was seconded and approved. C. Pinto also reported on the success of her beginner bridge class of 16 and that 6 persons are continuing to play.

Tournaments - C. Pinto reported we have signed a contract for the November 16-18 sectional with the Raddison Hotel at Meacham Blvd. and I-35W.

Ira Hessell has presented a proposal to do the bulletin for the Labor Day Regional which includes a \$700 flat fee plus a room. M. Williams moved that we accept this proposal. Motion was seconded and carried.

The production order for the patches being ordered by M. Goldman to be included with the convention card holder gifts for the Regional will be signed by C. Pinto.

J. Cosby moved to stay with \$2 bills for the section top and overall awards for the Regional. Motion was seconded and approved. M. Jackson moved to reimburse M. Goldman for out-of-pocket expense for prize samples. Motion was seconded and approved.

Sunshine – M. Williams moved that we not include in the minutes the names of persons to whom cards have been sent. Motion was seconded and approved.

Old Business

Lease - J. Cosby and J. Staser met with the landlord. The discussion included possibility of the landlord subsidizing the anticipated wall and also carpeting. However, in order to avoid a rent increase when the lease is renewed January 2014, we are considering waiving these items. The landlord needs a sketch of the wall plan. Discussion regarding carpeting was postponed until the July meeting.

Audit – C. Pinto received an e-mail from M. Tyron that he would meet with L. Edwards shortly.

Nominating Committee (M. Williams, Chair, J. Montgomery, S. Fair, B. Leeper) – J. Cosby moved to accept the following slate: Bill Strange, Don Reynolds, Don Dodson, Jacquie Montgomery, Ruby Hill, Mary Jane Orock, Ginger Kennedy. Motion was seconded and approved.

M. Williams moved to invite candidates to the upcoming Town Hall Meeting on June 30. Motion was seconded and approved.

Mentor/Mentee Program – C. Pinto reported first game a success and presented ideas for future games.

Town Hall Meeting – M. Jackson moved to have this meeting catered by Risky's Barbeque. Motion was seconded and approved.

By-laws – T. Moore will speak to K. Caton to see what it would take to complete the By-laws project.

Speaker System – L. Spangler moved that we purchase the speaker system and accessories as presented by M. Jackson. Motion was seconded and approved.

New Business -- M. Jackson moved that we sanction a NLM tournament for Arlington on October 13/14. Motion was seconded and approved.

Adjournment – C. Pinto moved to adjourn the meeting and the meeting was adjourned by Vice President T. Moore at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Spangler
Secretary, Unit 183