October 21, 2013 Ft. Worth Bridge Studio 6715 Camp Bowie Blvd. Ft. Worth, TX 76116

President Cosby called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Other members present were T. Moore, J. Montgomery, M. Jackson, N. Oliver, and L. Spangler. Member absent: C. Pinto, M. Tryon, D. Pearlman. Guests present: G. Neisler, B. Clinkscales, M. Goldman, and M. Williams.

M. Jackson moved to approve the minutes as forwarded by e-mail. The motion was seconded and approved.

In the absence of Treasurer M. Tryon, it was suggested that the treasurer's report would be forwarded by e-mail.

A special report was presented by M. Goldman regarding "The Shared Community Benefit Foundation." M. Jackson moved to allow M. Goldman to set up a table at the November tournament to receive charitable donations. The motion was seconded and carried.

Following M. Goldman's presentation, J. Montgomery moved to have the Board go into "executive session" for the remainder of the agenda. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

The visitors were excused.

#### President's Report

President Cosby reported on the Long Range Planning Session with the Arlington Board representatives held on Saturday, October 12. Charles Price and Bob Butterfield represented District 16. Unit 183 was represented by J. Cosby, L. Spangler, D. Pearlman, and J. Montgomery. The Arlington Board was represented by R. Buchanan, G. Neisler, K. Caton, and B. Koenigseder.

President Cosby reported on the status of the lease --- an amendment to the existing lease having been sent to D. Pearlman for his review. This includes a proposal that the lease will continue at the same rate with 3 months' free rent

With the possibility that certain issues may require legal consultation, N. Oliver moved that J. Cosby be allowed up to \$500 if such a need arises. The Motion was seconded and approved.

#### Health and Safety Report

J. Cosby read a report by Chairperson J. Staser which included:

Fire: The fire extinguisher was totally out of date and malfunctioning. B. Leeper took it to a dealer and had it recharged and labeled with the date. The cost was \$30.00. It now is mounted beside the Coke machine and ready for use when needed

Safety: J. Staser met with Chief Detective of the Fort Worth Police Department, Sidney Keith, who surveyed the property and discussed the safety issues, concluding: (1) At game time the most important issue is that the back door be locked. Smokers must be required to go out the front door; and

(2) Detective Keith recommended that we consider a panic button such as banks have. An estimate shows that the installation would be \$100 with a \$35 per month charge.

The Board recommends replacing the front door and J. Cosby will check with the landlord re same. It was also recommended what we investigate installation of a panic button.

# **Other Committee Reports**

## **Unit Game and Special Events Committee**

N. Oliver had previously discussed printing a master calendar for 2014 that would list all of the pertinent tournaments and other events, including Unit championships. M. Jackson moved to print 1000 calendars at the approximate cost of \$366. The motion was seconded and approved.

### **Nominating and Election Committees**

J. Montgomery reported that the slate had been turned over to the election committee. T. Moore reported that the ballots are in the process of being mailed. The election committee is T. Moore, D. Burke, R. Hill, R. McGill, G. Carey, L. Brown, and J. Cosby.

J. Montgomery moved that all game directors, with the exception of S. Shirey and K. Jones (candidates), be added to the election committee for the purpose of receiving ballots. This is to include M. Jackson. The motion was seconded and approved.

# **Directory Task Force**

By e-mail, Chairman D. Pearlman reported that the committee suggests waiting until after the unit elections to actually produce the directory. He will then get a file from the unit and update the roster. J. Montgomery and N. Oliver are to handle the actual production.

### **Tournament Committee**

There was no report due to the absence of C. Pinto.

### **Old Business**

T. Moore volunteered to temporarily serve as the Webmaster.

### **New Business**

In light of M. Tryon's present medical condition, it was suggested that perhaps we need to add a temporary external assistant treasurer. We further discussed that we need to obtain an outside CPA and/or a better bookkeeping system. No decisions were made at this time.

L. Spangler moved to pay Jason Jones \$100 for assisting M. Jackson with unloading tables, etc., at the November tournament. The motion was seconded and carried.

M. Jackson moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Spangler Secretary, Unit 183