

FORT WESTERN UNIT 183
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OCTOBER 22, 2018

The meeting was held at 6715 Camp Bowie Boulevard, Fort Worth, TX. President L. Spangler called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Directors L. Spangler, J. Montgomery, D. Pearlman, K. Jones, S. Shirey, S. Rowe, J. Jordan and C. Benton attended. Director M. Tryon did not attend. Unit Bookkeeper B. Walker also attended.

Congratulations

On behalf of the Board, L. Spangler congratulated C. Benton on achieving Life Master.

Minutes

Upon motion duly made and seconded the minutes of the meeting of September 24, 2018 were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report

B. Walker presented financials for September 2018. He noted that the table count for September was up slightly from August. Studio operations showed a monthly deficit of about \$200 and the Unit had a deficit of approximately \$8000. Cash on hand was over \$54,700.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, the Treasurer's report was unanimously accepted as presented.

Tournament Committee

J. Jordan reported. Table count was up to 211 from 204 a year ago. The new location was extremely well-received. J. Jordan asked for a ten year contract for the space at CERA Recreation Complex but was told only a two-year contract would be granted. The cost will be slightly lower than it was in 2018. Kitchen privileges will again be included.

L. Spangler noted that while the figures are not final, it appears the tournament will show a profit of about 500 dollars. She also suggested that session times for future sectionals be at 10:00 and 2:30. The Board concurred.

J. Jordan reported that she has obtained Regional sanctions through 2024 and sectional sanctions through 2028.

Old Business

D. Pearlman reported on changes to Pianola by ACBL and what he had learned from ACBL about use of Pianola by clubs. ACBL has modified Pianola by adding a statement that “This message is from ACBL Unit 183”. D. Pearlman will notify all club owners that Pianola may now be used only for Unit-sponsored and Unit-sanctioned activities, such as tournaments and Unit games, and that all such messages must be approved by him or another Board member. ACBL has a separate version of Pianola for use by clubs, but it is not free.

New Business

On Sunday, October 28 the Flight B NAP qualifier will be held at the Studio. S. Shirey will be traveling for work so Tom Moore of Arlington will run the event. K. Jones volunteered to assist with Studio entry, meal and score posting.

The Unit will need a new Webmaster on May 1, 2019. D. Pearlman will have Milt Birmingham post the position on the Unit website and will also contact players who might be interested in the position.

The lease on the Studio will expire in the spring of 2019. L. Spangler noted some items that should be part of the lease negotiations.

The Board learned that the thermostats in the front room run independent systems that conflict with each other unless the thermostats are set to the exact same temperature. Club owners will be informed that both thermostats must always have the identical setting.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly made and seconded the meeting was adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
David J. Pearlman
Secretary, Fort Western Unit 183