

FORT WESTERN UNIT 183
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
JANUARY 27, 2020

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

Directors L. Spangler, C. Benton, L. Nash, J. Montgomery, S. Rowe, S. Shirey and H. Schulz attended in person. Director D. Pearlman attended by telephone. Director J. Jordan did not attend. Unit Bookkeeper Ann LeFevre also attended.

Minutes

Upon motion duly made and seconded the minutes of the meeting of the December 16, 2019 meeting were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report

Ann Lefevre presented the end of year Treasurer's report. At the end of 2019 the Unit's total assets were \$236,130, up \$118 from the end of 2018. Cash on hand was \$47,235, and investments in CDs were worth \$188,747.

Unit operations for 2019 (exclusive of the Studio) had a deficit of \$13,201. The Studio had an operating profit of \$9,534 for the year, thanks to the three month rent abatement under the new lease. Tournaments collectively showed a loss of \$119.

Table count for the year was 4,079.5, up 35 from 2018.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented.

Education Committee

C. Benton reported that a new movie about bridge called Aces and Knives will be shown by the Houston unit in early February. C. Benton will contact the Houston unit following the showing to see how it was received and whether it might be worth the cost of \$500 to the Unit to show the film in Fort Worth.

C. Benton reported on Jeri Quinton's new beginner lessons and ongoing EZ Bridge activities in the Unit.

Tournament Committee

Sue Gilbreath has engaged Dorothy Moore to make boards at tournaments for \$10 per set.

New Business

J. Montgomery called the Board into executive session.

After the executive session concluded, D. Pearlman offered a revised set of Standing Rules for consideration, noting they had been circulated to the Board in advance of the meeting. He explained that the rules are periodically revised to reflect changes in the practices of the Board, and that this round of changes was prompted by changes made by ACBL that eliminated the need for the Unit to have a Recorder or Disciplinary Chair. He explained the highlights of the proposed changes, and after a brief discussion, and upon motion duly made and seconded, the rules as revised were adopted unanimously.

S. Shirey noted that the card fees for the Unit's NAP and GNT qualifiers had not been changed in years, and that these events were running at a deficit. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the fees were raised from \$11 per session to \$12.

J. Montgomery proposed that a parking space very near the entrance to the Studio be designated as reserved for L. Spangler, who has increasing difficulty walking. The Board concurred.

J. Montgomery presented a proposed list of Committee chairs and members, and other positions in the Unit for 2020, which was adopted unanimously by the Board upon motion duly made and seconded. The roster is as follows:

Bylaws/Standing Rules - David Pearlman
Charity - Linda Spangler
Studio Decorations - Fran Fuller
District 16 Representative - Steve Shirey
Education - Cynthia Benton
Elections - M B Howard
Electronic Contact – Tom Moore
GNT/NAP Coordinator - Steve Shirey
Hospitality - Laura Nash
Membership - Jane Larimore
Nominations - Hal Schulz
Pro-Am - Mary Jane Orock
Publicity - David Pearlman/Jacque Montgomery
Scorecard Columnist - Caron Peck
Studio Manager - Judy Staser
Sunshine - pending
Supplies - Sue Rowe/Jean Helmers

Tournament - Sue Gilbreath
Unit Growth - Dorothy Moore

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly made and seconded the meeting was adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

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