

FORT WESTERN UNIT 183
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MARCH 22, 2021

The meeting was held at 6715 Camp Bowie Boulevard, Fort Worth, TX. President J. Montgomery called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

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

Minutes

Upon motion duly made and seconded the minutes of the meeting of the February 24, 2020 meeting were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report

Ann Lefevre presented the Treasurer's report for February. As has been the case since the Studio closed a year ago, there was no income. February expenditures were for rent and utilities. Over the past twelve months the Unit has seen its assets decline by over \$50,000.

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

New Business

At the end of 2020, D. Pearlman posted on the Unit's website a list of significant actions taken informally by the board during 2020. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously ratified those actions.

D. Pearlman reported that one of the Unit's two Certificates of Deposit will be up for renewal the first week of April. CD rates are extremely low (0.50% for a one year term, 0.60% for a two year term, 0.70% for a three year term). His recommendation was to renew for a one year term. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation.

The Board then had a lengthy discussion concerning the reopening of the Studio and who might be directing games once the Studio does reopen.

The Board set a tentative reopening date of May 1. C. Benton reported that she has had conversations with about 25 players, most of whom said they will return to the Studio then or soon thereafter.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board decided that health precautions would be up to the individual game owners. The Studio will be cleaned thoroughly before it reopens, and the regular twice a week cleaning schedule will be resumed once it does. The Unit will provide hand sanitizer and sanitary wipes.

Kimmel Jones will be offered the Thursday open game. Jeri Quinton will likely initiate a Friday afternoon limited game with a start time of noon in to give some time for the game to settle down before the 12:30 open game, which will be taken over by S. Shirey. D. Pearlman was to call Diane Atteberry to ask about restarting her Monday morning game, possibly with another person directing, and to report once she has given her answer.

D. Pearlman will contact ACBL to ask if Unit game sanctions have become available.

Old Business

The Studio's landlord has not yet been able to investigate why the Unit's water bill for January was over \$500 (compared to a usual bill of less than \$60). The delay is the result of having to deal with more immediate problems caused by February's big freeze and the resulting power outages.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly made and seconded the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

David J. Pearlman
Secretary, Fort Western Unit 183