

FORT WESTERN UNIT 183
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
January 17, 2023

The meeting was held at 6715 Camp Bowie Boulevard, Fort Worth, TX. President C Benton called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m.

Directors S. Shirey, L. Smith, and L Brown attended in person. Directors D. Branch, R. Eads, S. Bennett, and M. B. Howard attended by phone.

Minutes

President Benton read the minutes of the meeting of December 27, 2022 provided by L. Nash.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the minutes were unanimously approved, with one small correction, MB Howard listed as tournament chair, not tourn. director.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report was summarized by Director S. Bennett. Membership in Unit 183 declined 60 or 7.9% to 704 at the end of December 2022 from 764 on December 31, 2021. Net losses for the year ended December 2022 were 10,794 or 23,654 less than our December 31, 2021, losses of 34,448. Major components of the favorable variance are 15,652 of tournament revenue in 2022 versus none in 2021 and 7,623 in Net table fees in Jan-April 2022 versus none in 2021.

Games played increased 104 or 60.5% to 276 (full year) in 2022 from 172 (eight months) in 2021. Annualizing the 2021 games to full year basis i.e., 12/8 times 172 equates to 258, hence 2022 games were 7% higher than an annualized full 2021 with the increase made up primarily by the addition during the month of May of a limited game on Mondays.

Table count increased 799 or 84.7% to 1,742.75 (full year) in 2022 from 943.75 (eight months) in 2021. Annualizing the 2021 tables to full year basis i.e., 12/8 times 943.75 equates to 1,415.6, hence 2022 table count was 23% higher than an annualized full 2021 with the increase made up by the addition during the month of May of a limited game on Monday, as well as an increase in average table count per game to 6.31 (15%) in 2022 from 5.49 in 2021.

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

Upcoming Sectional Tournament

Director Howard stated that more Pass cards were ordered to replace worn ones in our current bidding boxes. Sign-up sheets for food for Sunday have been put out on the director's desk. Arrangements have been made for some snacks on Friday and Saturday.

Awards Day

Scheduling for the Unit game on Awards Day will be looked at. April 29 is the 1st choice, followed by April 15. Director Shirey will get that scheduled.

Vote on Committee Chairs

President Benton read off the Committee chairs for 2023. That list will be posted separately from these minutes.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the chairs were unanimously approved.

Registered Agent

Director Smith gave his notes on looking into finding a new Registered Agent due to Cary Jennings giving up the position as he closes his law office in March. He thought it was best that the Treasurer have that responsibility along with his other duties.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, Steve Bennett was voted to be the new Registered Agent, using the Studio address for that official business.

Updated Directory

Director Shirey suggested it was time for a new phone directory to be printed. Director Bennett has been updating the Word file with the information on it through November 1, 2022. Director Branch offered to investigate printing prices, and decide on number to be printed.

Meeting Time

Discussion occurred on moving future BoD meetings to Thursday afternoons. That will be tried in February.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 pm.

Steve Shirey
Secretary, Fort Western Unit 183