

**FORT WESTERN UNIT 183**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**February 16, 2023**

The meeting was held at 6715 Camp Bowie Boulevard, Fort Worth, TX. President C Benton called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m.

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

**Minutes**

Director Shirey read the minutes of the meeting of January 17, 2023.  
Upon motion duly made and seconded the minutes were unanimously approved.

**Certificate of Filing**

Pres. Benton noted that the Certificate of Filing has been done, and mentioned she didn't know if hard copies of those records were kept anywhere. It was suggested that most of these records could be posted on the website, and many already were.

**Updated Directory**

Director Branch reported on his investigation of printing prices. He checked on three different companies, the company in Jefferson City MO had the lowest cost, \$4.55 each for 200 copies, with the size reduced from the previous years. A discussion ensued about whether 200 was enough; Director Bennett reported that only 150 were printed in 2018, which Director Shirey said ran out in less than a year. The decision was made to not add the Mylar cover that was used last time, just a heavier paper front and back cover. Some 8x11 copies were going to be printed and given to the major clubs for editing. Mike Tiernan offered to help Director Bennett with the Word file. It was decided to no longer print the Goodwill and District Star winners, but to continue printing the game locations and schedule.  
Upon motion duly made and seconded, the above was unanimously approved.

**New Director to replace Lauren Brown**

Pres. Benton brought up the need to fill the vacancy on the Board. At least one member had been asked about it and declined. It was not seen as urgent to fill the spot immediately, so the issue was tabled.

**Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's report was summarized by Director Bennett. The Unit lost \$864 in January, although that was because of the semi-annual rebate from ACBL.

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

Director Bennett also gave a preliminary account of the February sectional results. The table count was up over October's sectional, so the assumption is that we will make a profit of at least what

that tournament made, but all invoices are not in yet.

### **New Location**

Pres. Benton brought up the fact that our lease is up in July 2024, and that we might want to explore moving to a less costly location. The suggestion has been made that ADBC and the Fort Worth studio might find a spot where both clubs could operate. Discussion ensued that moving as far East as ADBC would like might be farther away than Fort Worth players would want to travel.

### **Meeting Time**

The decision was made to have the fourth Thursday at 4:15 pm be the usual time for Board meetings going forward, although Director Smith pointed out that a Dallas sectional would be held on that date in March.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, that was unanimously approved.

### **Tournament Location**

Director Eads asked about holding future sectionals at a larger location than the Fort Worth studio. Upon discussion, it was determined that the current location had enough space for some expansion, and that moving wasn't necessary yet.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:20.

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Steve Shirey  
Secretary, Fort Western Unit 183