

SAN ANTONIO BRIDGE LEAGUE UNIT 172
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

November 11, 2024

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 2:39 pm by Nancy Tom. **Present:** Nancy Tom, Roxana Tom, Sharon Evans, Karen Fillis, Ed Rawlinson, David Mitchell, Ellen Hessel, Rebecca Evans, Susan Hernandez, Jo Neesvig and Jamie Gardner. **Absent:** none. **Guests:** Laurie Levin, Steve Simpson and John Hilbig.

Minutes: Roxie Tom moved to approve the minutes from the monthly meeting on October 21, 2024, Ed Rawlinson seconded, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Sharon Evans prepared and presented the Treasurer's Report for October. Total Assets are approximately \$81,000.

Committee Reports:

Membership: 2 new members, 1 transfer in and 0 transfer out. Total membership 448. There are 3 people at risk on the 5/5/5 report with guest memberships. Rebecca will contact them to see if they want to convert to full membership.

Education: Learn Bridge in a Day will be January 11 at the Jewish Community Center senior lounge. Rosemary will teach, Laurie, Roxie and Rebecca will help. Nancy to prepare a flyer.

Mentor/Mentee: Susan is working on next year.

Intermediate/Newcomer: Nothing to report.

Partnership: Working on partnerships for the Pro-Am. Rebecca would like to help with partnership on the January and March sectionals.

Promotion: Ellen will schedule meeting with committee members.

Unit Games:

November 16: 19 pairs signed up so far. Rebecca and Jo are working on finding pros for ams.

December 14: Holiday Party – Karen has three people volunteering to bake 20 lb. turkeys and dressing. Sides and desserts will be potluck.

Tournaments:

Regional 2025: Ellen is working on promotion and will be sending out postcards to those who attended regionals in our area last year. Hoping for a good turnout. Not as many ACBL regional tournaments this year.

Ed Rawlinson Winter Sectional: Chris Cloyd would like to display but there may not be enough space. Karen will look at the rooms and see if there is space for vendors.

Roxana Tom Sectional: March 26-29 at St. Thomas Episcopal Church.

Scorecard: Ellen would like results of November and December Unit games to publish in the next Scorecard.

Winning Finesse: Ed needs Nancy's column for the next issue.

President's Online Meeting: Scheduled for November 12.

Old Business:

Awards: Nancy still needs write-ups for awards, deadline is 12/31. Ed will coordinate with Al Fulton to get results of Paul Lewis, Horton and Gray awards.

District 16 Board meeting: Roxie will attend the Feb 8 meeting in Houston. Ellen will not be there.

New Business:

Unit Game schedule for 2025: There was considerable discussion about the schedule, so a committee of Ed Rawlinson, Rebecca Evans, Roxie Tom, Laurie Levin and Karen Fillis was selected to recommend dates and games for 2025.

Committee chairs: Same as last year. Ed would like us to consider replacing him next year as Sanction coordinator and Winning Finesse. Roxie volunteered for Sanction and Ellen for Winning Finesse. Steve Simpson would like this to be his last year as webmaster. He will be difficult to replace. The Unit appreciates all the time and effort Steve puts in for the Unit.

Next meeting: Monday December 16 at 2:30 at Agudas Achim.

Karen moved to adjourn the meeting, Sharon seconded, and meeting adjourned at 3:56 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Fillis, Secretary

ACTION ITEMS:

Nancy, Jo and Karen — write-up for District Star and Goodwill awards

Promotion Committee — David, Rebecca, Ellen, Donna, Laurie — schedule meeting

Nancy — Flyer for Learn Bridge in a Day, Winning Finesse article

Ed — contact Al Fulton for Paul Lewis, Horton and Gray awards

Rebecca — contact guest members on 5/5/5 list