

# SAN ANTONIO BRIDGE LEAGUE UNIT 172

## BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

January 13, 2025

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 2:42 pm by Nancy Tom. **Present:** Nancy Tom, Roxana Tom, Sharon Evans, David Mitchell, Ellen Hessel, Rebecca Evans, Jamie Gardner, Karen Fillis and Susan Hernandez. **Via Phone:** **Absent:** Jo Neesvig. **Guests:** Laurie Levin, Rosemary Kelley, Beth Gale, John Hilbig and Steve Simpson.

**Minutes:** Sharon Evans moved to approve the minutes from December 16, 2024, Rebecca Evans seconded, motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sharon Evans prepared and presented the Treasurer's Report for November. Total Assets are \$80,512.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Membership:** 0 new members, 1 transfer in, 0 transfer out, 1 deceased total membership 447.

**Education:** Learn Bridge in a Day ran smooth with great helpers. There were 22 players, and the feedback was very positive. Kudos to Rosemary for an excellent job teaching. 8 people signed up for day lessons and 2 people would like evening lessons. We collected \$420 in fees, which covered the lunch of \$390. Roxie would like to give a class in New Braunfels and is looking for a teacher to do the follow up lessons. Laurie would like a flyer for her intermediate class.

**Mentor/Mentee:** Susan provided a list of new Mentor/Mentees. There are several people who have not completed their allotment for 2024. Susan will be calling them.

**499er Committee:** Nothing to report.

**Partnership:** Nothing to report.

**Promotion:** Nothing to report.

### **Unit Games:**

**Awards Day March 1:** Roxana and Nancy will host. Nancy to prepare certificates.

### **Tournaments:**

**Ed Rawlinson Sectional:** January 16-19 – Setup will start at 8:30. Examine tables for repairs and have Freddie make repairs before Regional tournament. Discard tables that are not repairable and get a count on any new tables needed. Check with Melody Euler about printer paper for Regional. We are almost out of the 11x14 continuous feed paper. Ellen thinks the directors are switching to laser printers.

**IN 750 Sectional:** February 15-16 - The Northside Activity Center cancelled the use of their venue for Feb 15 and 16. Rebecca is looking for a new venue, possibly an elementary school. Karen suggested Blattman Elementary off 1604 between NW Military and Bitters.

**Roxana Tom Sectional:** January 26-29. Roxie and Sharon will chair.

**Regional:** Rosemary is still looking for a sponsor to provide breakfast at the Regional. Brookdale Assisted Living was suggested. Maybe consider asking individuals to sponsor. She will be scheduling meetings with

her chairpeople and asked about using the meeting room at Agudas after bridge games. Laurie just needs advance notice of the dates.

**Scorecard:** Next deadline is February 15.

**Winning Finesse:** Ira and Ellen Hessel are the new editors. Sending out an issue in March which will include the schedule for the Roxana Tom Sectional March 26-29. Contact Laser Printers about not sending 2 issues to the same address.

**President's Online Meeting:** Nothing to report.

**Old Business:**

New Braunfels club – Nancy made a motion to donate \$500 to the New Braunfels club in consideration for the outstanding leadership and contributions of volunteers at the New Braunfels tournament in 2024, seconded by Karen and motion carried. Ann Kuehler has volunteered to chair the 2025 Sectional in New Braunfels.

Awards were submitted to Jerry Harrington, District Vice President.

November Unit game will be a Mentor/Mentee ProAm, not an IN 750 game

**New Business:**

Rebecca has taken over the job of getting sanctions from Ed Rawlinson after his retirement from the Board. She is working with Ed on the transition.

Posters for IN Sectionals need to be posted on ACBL website. Nancy will see if ACBL will accept combined flyer for Unit Game/IN Sectional. Fee will still be \$5 for the March 1 game.

**Hosts:**

March 1 Unit game: Roxana and Nancy  
Roxana Tom Sectional March 26-29: Roxana and Sharon  
April 26 Unit game: Ellen and John  
May 17 Unit game: Karen and Jamie  
June 7 Unit game: Rebecca and Jo  
August 16 Unit game: David and Jamie  
New Braunfels Sectional Sep 4-7: Ann Kuehler  
September 20 Unit game: Jo  
Diane Olson Election Sectional Oct 15-18: Karen and Susan  
Nov 8 Pro/Am: Susan and David  
Dec 13 Holiday Party: Karen, Ellen and Sharon

Nancy announced the retirement of Ed Rawlinson from the Board. After much discussion, David Mayer was nominated and elected to serve on the Board until the next election in October, when a permanent replacement will be elected to serve the balance of Ed's term which officially ends in October of 2026.

Nancy passed out phone assignments to call 0-750 players and encourage them to play in Unit events. All board members were assigned approximately 15 names to call.

David Mitchell requested that our May board meeting be held at Mary Massey's home. He will provide BBQ after the meeting.

**Next meeting: Monday, February 10 at 2:30 at Agudas Achim.**

Roxie Tom moved to adjourn the meeting, Sharon Evans seconded, and meeting adjourned at 4:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen Fillis, Secretary

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**Nancy** — Flyer for Laurie's intermediate class. Prepare certificates for Awards Day. Replace missing table number cards. Submit flyer to ACBL for IN Sectional/Unit Game March 1.

**Karen** — Pins for New Life Masters.

**Rebecca** — Get new venue for NLM tournament Feb 15-16 or cancel event.

**Karen and Rebecca** — Review supplies for Regional, including any missing table number cards. Examine tables with Freddie for repairs or replacement. Check with Melody about printer paper for Regional.

**Susan** — Call people who have not completed 2024 Mentor/Mentee signup.