

ADBC BOARD MEETING WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2026

Call to Order: President Larz Smith called the meeting to order at 10:03. Larz Smith, George Morey, Kate Wickham, Diana Clive, Karen Cook, and Wilma Hill were present. Mary Ellen Stanton attended by Zoom.

Minutes of March 11, 2026 Board Meeting: Diana presented the minutes from the March board meeting. Larz motioned to approved, seconded by George. All approved.

Financial Report for April: George observed that we have \$29K cash in our ADBC bank account, which looks to put us in good shape. There was income through March of \$2081, revenue sharing income of about \$2700, dues, and donations. This still leaves a negative draw of approximately \$1700/month. Extrapolated over the year this will be \$20K over the year. Hopefully much of this will be mitigated by revenue sharing and additional donations. Most concerning however is the significant 25% dropoff seen in both F2F and BBO table counts.

We hope to have a good turnout for upcoming 8 is Enuf games. These are generally well attended. Larz noted that July is approaching, and we will have to closely monitor our projections for their accuracy before presenting them to the membership in July. Two significant influences will be the Regional held in May, and our Sectional in June.

March NLM turnout was poor. Table count was down, resulting in a net revenue of about \$800, of which \$269 went to us because of our revenue sharing agreements.

The Golden Championship game was a success with 12.5 tables, netting the ADBC \$488 for the day.

Dallas 2027 Tournament Changes due to Nationals: Larz has asked the Dallas unit about their plans regarding their usual tournament schedule given the length and days of the Nationals to be held there. No hard determinations have been made yet.

Calendars and Special Events: Kate highlighted Club Championships, and the FW Regional. There will not be a game on May 10 because of Mother's Day, and the Stardust Week awards 25% Gold points. We will hold a Platinum Life Master party for Pat Cassidy on May 2. Grass Roots games held are ACBL charity games with upgraded points.

June 6 will be a Diamond Life Master party for Margot Hirsch. We will hold a Longest Day for Alzheimer's on June 17.

We voted to recommend to the District that the D16 StaC (Sectional Tournament at Club) move to August 17-22 because of conflict with the Longest Day.

Election of Officers: The Board of Directors consisting of previously elected directors as well as newly elected directors held our annual internal officer elections. Larz was elected to serve again

as President, Doug as Vice-President, George as Treasurer, and Karen as Secretary. Kate will continue our calendars for May and June, with Wilma ready to assume that responsibility in July.

June Sectional Committee: The committee consists of Dorothy, Doug, and Larz. They are empowered to make decisions as necessary to execute the Sectional.

Tax Status of Donations: George and Larz have determined, after research, that donations to the ADBC are not tax deductible. We are not eligible given that we are not a 501(c)3 tax entity. Conversion to that entity would require an unachievable level of educational outreach not consistent with our mission as we are presently incorporated. It would probably also be an expensive process. We can continue to encourage our members to donate as they feel best.

PayPal Donations: Diana is arranging with George for administrative access to the PayPal account that was created by George. She offered to act as its administrator going forward.

Arlington Women's Club: Wilma reported that the duplicate bridge division of the Women's Club is dissolving. Wilma and Margot Hirsch will discuss arrangements for any potential donations of materials to the ADBC.

Plan B for Location of Club: The potential signing of a new lease for the ADBC will not be voted on by the membership until July. Possible alternate locations if a new lease doesn't come to fruition still need to be determined.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by Larz at 12:00.

Respectfully submitted,
Diana Clive, Secretary