

ADBC BOARD MEETING WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2024

Call to Order: President Larz Smith called the meeting to order at 10:20. Dorothy Moore, Wayne Corbett, and Diana Clive were present at the studio. Judy Floyd and Mary Ellen Stanton attended via Zoom video and audio.

Minutes of September 11, 2024 Board Meeting: Minutes of the September board meeting were reviewed and approved unanimously.

September Financial Report: The club is still operating at a loss on a monthly basis, with a deficit of \$1700 in September. However, \$800 of this was our insurance premium. We have sufficient financial resources to sustain the next 2 years, assuming similar monthly revenues.

Calendars and Special Events: October 23rd changed to Swiss game, November Pop UPs on 22 and 23rd. They cost us \$2 more. Richardson Sectional is scheduled on November 9. We will remain open – Mary Ellen Stanton will direct. Steve will poll Wednesday people to see if we should be open Wednesday the 27th and Friday the 29th. We will need a director available if so.

December membership games exclude non-ACBL members and their partners from winning points. Gold points will be available. Encourage nonmembers to join. The week of December 16-20 will be Stardust games with extra points including gold being available. We will be closed on December 24-26, and December 31. New Year's Day is a Wednesday. We expect to be open, and Dorothy will find a director.

Pete Clive has earned his Life Master. We will plan his LM party for Wednesday November 20!!

Game Issues: There has been a request to revisit the start time for Saturday games. Steve as director prefers keeping the Saturday games at 1PM because of a timing conflict for an earlier start. Next year we need to renew our ACBL sanctions. Dorothy is considering dropping her directorship of the Sunday and Tuesday games because of low attendance. Doug may pick one up.

The ACBL sanction fee is \$20/session. We approved keeping all current sanctions' and try to promote and evolve those games that are questionable at the moment.

Review of Appendices: Many standing committees have been created in the past, with numerous redundancies. Larz moved that we eliminate them except for the nominating committee. Diana seconded the motion, and it was approved. Game fees are set by the Board. Eliminate the fee schedule and simply post it in the club. There was considerable discussion on recommendations for changes to the policies, including eliminating unnecessary and redundant language. Larz moved that we update our policies as outlined by Dorothy and George. Wayne seconded the motion, and all approved.

New Business: The local Fort Worth Sectional was successful, to a large degree because of the hard work of Dorothy and Tom Moore and the discounted rate they offered as Sectional Directors. Also the room rate offered by the venue was only \$100 per day. There was some discussion on whether we could find a similar fundraising opportunity if a venue could be found. Wayne will look into this.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Diana Clive, ADBC Secretary