

**DISTRICT 15 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA  
May 16, 2009**

The meeting was held at the Bricktown Hotel and Convention Center. Breakfast was served at 9:15 a.m. with the meeting convening at approximately 9:45 a.m.

<b>PRESENT:</b>	<b>UNIT</b>
Marti Malcolm, Susan Urich, John Glagola, Jim Urich and Paul Pressly	131
Steve Drumhillier, Charles Hilding and Nelson VanFleet	132
Richard Bender and Bernardo Flasterstein	101
Henry Robin	158
Phil Rea, Linda Hughes, Shelba Parmley and Barbara Whittlesy	167
Don Brennaman	234

**SPECIAL GUESTS:** Dan Morse, Chair, Board of Directors, and his wife, Joan, from Houston; Don Stack and Jim Kirkham, of Unit 131.

**WELCOME**

President Malcolm welcomed the board and thanked them for their attendance. She then introduced Don Stack and Jim Kirkham from Unit 131. Both individuals spoke regarding the handicap issue for bracketed KO events. It was determined that a committee would be put together by Don and Jim and a proposal would be submitted to the Board for approval at the next meeting. Anyone wishing to serve on the committee should contact Don or Jim.

Dan Morse addressed the group and provided a report in the absence of Phyllis Harlan as our representative to the National Board of Directors. Dan reported as follows:

- There is a website for Units and local clubs to obtain bridge hands
- Explained the advertising for teachers program
- ACBL membership is up in 2008 by 1,000
- Mark Lair has been named to the Hall of Fame
- ACBL has purchased property in Horn Lake Mississippi with the intent to move the headquarters
- Our own Phyllis Harlan is running for President of the ACBL

**MINUTES**

The minutes of the Kansas City meeting were discussed with one correction – The next Wichita Regional will be a 5 day tournament rather than a 4 day. Motion made & seconded to approve minutes as corrected. Approved.

## **FINANCIAL**

The financial statement from 1-01-09 to 5-15-09 was distributed. Motion made & seconded to approve the financial statement. Approved.

Again a reminder to the Units that money submitted to the Treasurer for deposit be noted as to tournament sanction fees, GNT, NAOP, etc.

## **TOURNAMENT REPORTS**

Kansas City Regional The Kansas City Regional (December 26 – December 31, 2008) report was submitted to the board reflecting net profit of \$8,056.88, with a total table count of 1,095. Motion made, seconded & approved to accept the report.

STAC John Glagola submitted the Tournament Financial Summary (March 30 to April 5, 2009) report reflecting a net profit of \$2,393.25. Motion made, seconded & approved to accept the report.

## **NORTH AMERICAN OPEN PAIRS**

Nancy Spear is not present.

## **GRAND NATIONAL TEAMS**

Mike Kilgore presented a detailed 2008-2009 Conditions of Contest. This information can be viewed on our website [www.ACBL15.com](http://www.ACBL15.com). It was also noted and discussed that few units get involved with the GNT. To date only 4 teams will be participating in Flight A.

## **NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Phyllis Harlan not present – report by Dan Morse reflected above.

## **BY LAWS**

Due to the fact that Phyllis is not present, the discussion on the By-Laws was tabled to the Tulsa meeting.

## **TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE**

A tournament schedule was distributed and reviewed. It was noted that the NAP finals will be held at the Kansas City Sectional October 8 - 10, 2009. The GNT finals for 2010 will be held at the Oklahoma City Sectional May 21 - 23, 2010.

John Glagola reported that the Fall STAC will be held November 2 – 8, 2009.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Units 132, 210, 234 & 247 were to receive Charity funds from the ACBL (\$5,000) to each Unit for the charity of their choice in 2009. Units 101, 131, 158 and 167 received a like amount in 2008. Steve Drumhiller reported that Unit 132 had selected Lord's Diner, 520 N. Broadway, Wichita, KS 67214, as the recipient of their charity. Units 210, 234 & 247 were encouraged to submit their charity selections as soon as possible.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Mike Kilgore addressed the Board regarding the District website [www.ACBL15.com](http://www.ACBL15.com). Please submit information on your Regional and Sectional tournaments, results, information on lessons in your Unit, etc. and he will get in on the website.

Phil Rea presented information on the program for promoting Better Bridge and obtaining more teachers. The class is for one full day and the cost is \$125.00 per person. In order to promote bridge some Units have agreed to pay one-half of the cost for Unit members willing to participate. Phil will bring the class to you, but would need no less than eight people enrolled in the class in order to meet expenses. The program is sanctioned by Audrey Grant and all materials are provided.

Bernardo addressed the issue of enrolling new players and discussion was held. We were reminded of the Coop program through ACBL – ACBL will pay 75% of any advertising that a Unit sponsors for teaching bridge classes. Please remind your respective Units.

## **NEXT MEETING DATE**

It was moved, seconded & approved that the next board meeting will be in Tulsa on Saturday, August 15, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Urich, Secretary

Approved,

Marti Malcolm, President