

Board of Directors Minutes
Tennessee Bridge Association, Unit 144
May 21, 2011

BOARD MEMBERS Present

President – Tom Dixon
Vice President – Larry Alexander
Cecile Skaggs
Al Stone

Treasurer- Jody Couch
Secretary -Judy Knox
Henry Francis
Melody Patterson

The meeting was called to order by Tom Dixon at the M.A. Lightman Bridge Club at 10:40am.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes previously E-mailed by Judy Knox for the April 2, 2011 Board meeting were approved.

TREASURER’S REPORT: The Treasurer read the report. See exhibit attached for Treasurer’s report.

Jan Dacus has resigned from the Board of Directors due to the illness of her husband. Pat Papachristou is the next person with the most votes from the last election. Tom asked her to serve on the M.A. Lightman Board of Directors and she accepted. Henry Francis made a motion to put Pat on the Unit Board of Directors, too. It was seconded by Judy Knox. It was unanimously approved by the Board.

The Hospitality Coordinator position for the Sky Rocket Sectional needs to be filled for the Tournament on July 4th weekend. Jody will ask Jan to write a job description for the Hospitality Coordinator position. Al Stone recommended someone who would do the job for a fee if we can’t get a volunteer. We will consider hiring someone if we cannot get a volunteer.

Publicity for the Sky Rocket Sectional: Melody Patterson is the Publicity Chair. We have put the flier on the Unit web page, mailed out fliers to all clubs in the area and it has been put on the District 10 web page. Cecile suggested that we put it in the paper on “Go Memphis”. Melody wants to give free radio time to someone to be interviewed about all of our tournaments. Melody will also look up “Go Memphis” in the newspaper and put our Tournament schedules there. There was much discussion regarding advertising for the Sky Rocket Tournament.

Birthday Bash: Elaine Cobb is the new Birthday Bash Coordinator. Starting in April, all Birthday Bash expenses will come out of the M.A. Lightman Bridge Club checking account rather than from the Unit 144 bank account. The Birthday Bash is an M.A. Lightman Club game and not a Unit 144 game.

Unit Game Coordinator: There should be a Unit person to keep track of all Unit Championship games that are held throughout the year. Al Stone was appointed to this position. All Unit Championship games need to be used before they expire. No one club should use more than their share.

Tunica Tournament: V.T. Gala, Tournament Coordinator came in to discuss the up- coming Delta Dealin’ Tournament on September 12, 2011. He showed us hats to be given out as registration gifts with embroidery on them. He wanted to make sure each Board member will come and help set up the tables and take them down again this year. Jack Verkler and Marvin Skaggs will help take the tables to Tunica this year. Section top prizes will be a set of screwdrivers that looks like an ink pen. Donna Touliatos will be in charge of the registration desk again this year. She needs volunteers to assist her. A volunteer is needed for printing of the Dailey Bulletin. Judy Knox did it last year. She can do it again unless someone else wants to do it. They reduced the rental fee by 50% due to the problems with the printer last year. All Board members should go to Sam’s Town at 2pm on Sept. 11 to help set up the tables and the bid boxes.

District 10 will have a Board Meeting on Sept. 17 at 7:30am at the Tunica Tournament. V.T. has reserved a meeting room with a breakfast buffet to be set up at 7am at Sam’s Town for this meeting.

Nate Silverstein Fliers should be brought to the Tunica Tournament this year. Judy Knox will contact Steve Hodorowski to make sure Nate Silverstein Fliers are available at Tunica. V.T. needs to know who needs a name badge to wear at the Tournament in September. Tom Dixon, Pat Pappachristou and Al Stone should be the only Board of Director Members who need a name badge. Everyone else should have gotten one last year. A list will be made for V.T. to order name badges for the Board members who do not have one.

There being no other Unit business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by Tom Dixon at 11:20 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Knox, Unit 144 Secretary