

**Board of Directors Minutes  
Tennessee Bridge Association, Unit 144  
January 23, 2010**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

**Don Paterson – President  
Donna Touliatos- Vice President  
Judy Knox- Secretary  
Henry Francis**

**Mike Staunton  
Jan Dacus  
Lillian Zisook**

**NON – BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

**Terry Van Dyke- Club Manager  
V.T. Gala – Tournament Coordinator  
Steve Hodorowski – Paris Landing/NateS. Tourn. Chair  
Heene Markell - Webmaster**

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

**Susan Frazee – Treasurer  
Larry Alexander  
Cecile Skaggs**

**UNIT 144 BUSINESS**

The meeting was called to order by Don Paterson, Unit 144 President at 11:10 am at the M. A. Lightman Bridge Club.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes previously E-mailed by Judy Knox were approved.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

The Treasurer was absent. Don Paterson read the Treasurer’s report for her.

	Unit 144 Treasurer Report 1/23/10	
	Checking Account	\$5632.74
	Savings Account	14809.56
	Wells Fargo C.D.	<u>5502.78</u>
	<b>Total on Hand 1/23/10</b>	<b><u>\$25945.08</u></b>
	Dec. & Jan. Activity:	
	<b><u>Nate Silverstein Income</u></b>	<b><u>\$7231.00</u></b>
	<b><u>Expense</u></b>	<b><u>(4596.41)</u></b>
		<b><u>\$2634.59</u></b>
<b><u>(Christmas Party, Bank Charges, etc.)</u></b>	<b><u>Other Expense</u></b>	<b><u>(119.26)</u></b>
	<b><u>Net</u></b>	<b><u>\$2,515.33</u></b>

**Unit 144-OLD BUSINESS**

- **Nate Silverstein**– Steve Hodorowski, Tournament Chair, provided us with an Income Statement Report. The report covered the past 9years and showed 288.5 tables for 2010. This was the most tables for all 3 years. A copy of this report is attached. There was a lot of discussion regarding the successes and failures of the Tournament. A motion was made by Jan Dacus to re-imburse Jack Verkler for his mileage in transporting the tables to the Tournament. She moved that we give him \$100. It was seconded by Lil Zisook. The motion passed unanimously.

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- Don Paterson suggested that all mileage be kept up with in the future so we can have more accuracy in re-imbursing people for their mileage. Jan Dacus was commended for her hard work at the Tournament. Steve Hodorowski was also commended for all his hard work as Chairman. Don Paterson said that he has sent out Thank you notes to everyone who helped with the Tournament including the directors.

Don asked everyone what they thought we can do next year to improve the Tournament. There was much discussion regarding this question. One suggestion was to add Novice games to the morning agenda.

Steve stated that we need a new coffee maker. Donna Touliatos said we can use hers. We also discussed a new location for the Nates Silverstein Tournament for future years. V.T. stated that he and Steve will head up the effort to find a new location for the Tournament for next year. V.T. commended Jan Dacus and Steve Hodorowski for their excellent work on the Tournament.

Terry suggested that we start the Tournament on Thursday evening next year and that we add a 299er game for Friday and Saturday morning. Everyone was in agreement with this.

**New Business**

Paris Landing- Steve Hodorowski gave us an update on the Tournament status.

- Some people are having trouble reserving rooms. Steve thinks he has this cleared up now.
- Transportation is needed for the tables to Paris Landing. Jack Verkler will not be available.
- Steve needs to talk to Marvin Skaggs, Don Paterson or Brian Cummins to help with this.
- Lil Zisook asked about Hospitality. V.T. stated that she didn't need to worry about this. She just needs a couple of people for the Hospitality area.
- There was some discussion regarding putting the fee on the flyers. Since flyers are already on web page and have already been distributed, it was decided that the flyers will not be changed. We can consider this for next year.

GNT – Terry Van Dyke gave the report on the GNT games for this year. February 27, 2010 looks like a good date for the GNT this year. There will be A, B, and C teams. There will be 2 sessions. The games will start at 1:30 and 6:30 PM. We need at least 7 or 8 teams to participate. There was much discussion regarding payment to the teams. Each team should get \$50. Donna Touliatos will prepare the flyer for the GNT games. Need to advertise at other clubs in unit.

**Unit Committee Chairs & Positions - 2010**

**Membership Chair** - Mike Staunton

**Leadership Development Chair** (Nomination) - Susan Frazee

**Disciplinary Chair** - Henry Francis

**By-Laws Chair** - Henry Francis

**Recorder** - Mick Mcguire

**Business Manager** - Terry Van Dyke

**Tournament Coordinator** - VT Gala

**Publicity Chair** - Donna Touliatos

**Hospitality Chair** - Lilian Zisook

**Intermediate/Newcomer Chair** - Judy Knox

**Charity Chair** - Larry Alexander

**Education Liaison** - Judy Knox **and Electronic Contact** - Judy Knox

**NAP Coordinator** - Terry Van Dyke

**GNT Coordinator** - Terry Van Dyke

**District 10 Representative** - Cecile Skaggs (alternate - Don Paterson)

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**District 10**

The District 10 Annual meeting will be in Biloxi, MS on January 30, 2010. Bill Cook has promised to give us a report regarding whether or not Unit 144 will be needed to provide assistance in running the NABC for 2012. It is being held in Memphis in 2012.

**Intermediate and Newcomer Program – Judy Knox, Chair**

Mentoring Games are going great. I have paired 51 players for the new 2010 Session. The first Session will be Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> and it will be a STAC game. We will charge \$4.50 since it is a STAC. Dates for the Mentoring Games are as follows:

Sunday(1 <sup>st</sup> unless noted)	Monday(3 <sup>rd</sup> unless noted)	TABLES
February 7, 2010	February 15, 2010	
March 7, 2010	March 15, 2010	
April 11, 2010 (Easter is 1 <sup>st</sup> Sun.)	April 19 <sup>th</sup> , 2010	
May 2, 2010	May 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2010	

Judy Knox suggested that a Non-Life master game and Easybridge for kids be considered for Friday nights at the M.A. Lightman Club. This suggestion was tabled until the next Board Meeting for discussion. There is already a first Friday night novice game and a 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday night novice game.

**Webmaster – Ilene Markell** - Ilene discussed a small website problem. The web site was down for one day. It has been fixed. The unit will pay for the web site on a yearly basis. She is going to re-do the entire web site and each club will have their own web page. The Mentor game will have it's own page. Ilene mentioned that she is not getting information in a timely manner to post to the web site. There was much discussion regarding this issue. Ilene intends to improve the web page a great deal in 2010.

**Board Member agreements** were handed out to each Board Member by Don Paterson. The Board members are to sign and date the agreement and give it back to Don. Don signed and dated the agreement and gave it back to each Board Member. (Please see a copy of this agreement attached.)

**Awards Banquet Date:** April 10, 2010. Terry will grill steaks. Judy will prepare the award letters.

**End of Year Unit Election** and Annual Holiday Party will be December 11, 2010 this year.

There being no other business to discuss the Unit 144 Board of Directors Meeting was adjourned by Don Paterson and the M.A. Lightman Bridge Club Board of directors meeting was called to order.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Knox, Secretary Unit 144