

Unit 144-TN Bridge Association
Board of Director's Minutes
June 9, 2012

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Larry Alexander- President
Cary Rodgers-Vice President
Judy Knox –Secretary
Jody Couch – Treasurer
Tom Dixon - Absent

Cecile Skaggs
Al Stone
Kathy Love
Jackie Stewart

The meeting was called to order at 10:30am by Larry Alexander, Unit 144 President. The minutes emailed by Judy Knox for April were approved. Ed Davis resigned from the Board for personal reasons. He turned the resignation in to Larry on Thursday. Larry has become President by default and he is accepting the position.

Larry said we need to replace Ed as a board member. We will follow the By Laws and ask Henry Francis since he got the next number of votes in the last election. If he doesn't want it, Pat Papachristou is the next one in line. She will be offered the position if Henry does not want it. A motion was made by Judy Knox to ask Henry Francis to become a Board member to replace Ed Davis. If Henry cannot accept, we will ask Pat Papachristou since she was next in line from the election last year. It was seconded by Jody Couch. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report- Jody Couch

Jody will give the report at the next meeting. She did not have the Check Book. We took in \$275 last night at the First Friday Dinner. Judy was reimbursed for \$203. We will put \$75 in the Bank Account. First Friday dinners will be held this way from now on in the future.

Replacing Larry Alexander as Vice President

Jody Couch nominated Cary Rogers for Vice President to replace Larry Alexander. It was seconded by Kathy Love. The motion passed. Cary Rogers is our new Vice President.

First Friday Dinners

This month's First Friday Dinner was move to the second Friday night due to the Jonesboro Tournament. Kathy Love said she got complaints because the First Friday Dinner got moved this month. The change was announced several weeks before the First Friday dinner date. It was also in the June Newsletter. We will try not to move it in the future, but sometimes it cannot be helped.

Jackie Stewart was put in charge of getting things cleaned up for First Fridays in the future. If we need extra help in the future, we can get Mona to help. First Friday is not a money- making proposition. We need to always charge \$8.00 per person. This will allow us to cover out costs.

Skv Rocket Sectional –Judy Knox

All Board Members need to be at the Hilton on Wednesday night, July 4 at 5pm to help set up tables. We need someone to transport tables to the tournament site on Wed. at 5pm on the 4th of July. Jack Verkler did it in the past. He was sick last year and Mick had to do it. We discussed volunteers for the tournament. Jackie needs the help for hospitality. A hand out was provided to all board members that requested sandwiches and food to be brought by the local players. We are mostly asking for sandwiches this year. We need chips, cookies, sandwiches and baked good for the tournament. We will also have beer, wine and soft drinks. We also need breakfast items and nuts.

Unit 144 Web Page

Ed Davis hired Paul Linxwiler to take over as Web Master and to take over the MAL newsletter. He is being paid \$200 a month. He seems to be doing a good job. He is an extremely competent person to do this. When the Unit Web Page gets set up, we may get the monthly fee reduced. We should all send Paul an email to thank him for his services.
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NABC Volunteer Party

Al Stone is in charge of this party. It is June 22 at M.A. Lightman. It will start at 5:30pm. We will have a Happy Hour at 5:30 with wine, beer and snacks. The dinner will be a buffet at 6:15pm. At 7:15 we will have an open STAC game. All volunteers will eat and play for free. Invitations are being given out and mailed out by Al. People should RSVP by emailing joyal@bellsouth.net or calling at 901-363-8693 if they want to attend.

There have been a few complaints about the increase in the M.A. Lightman annual from \$30 to \$50. Several people have complained that if the annual dues are going up, we should make sure that people who are not members pay \$2.00 extra. The directors are in charge to make sure non-members pay the extra \$2 to play. Starting on July 1 people should pay \$2 extra if they are not MAL members. We will put up a sign to this effect for future. Cary Rogers volunteered to make a sign regarding the fees and costs to play.

Cecile will send me an email regarding an increase in table fees to 50 cents per game. Day games will go up to \$5.00 and night games will go up to \$5.50 at night beginning July 1, 2012. A mass email will be sent out to all M.A. L. members to invite them to join and prices will be stated.

Since there was no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by Larry Alexander.

The next Board meeting will be August 25, 2012 at 10:30am.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Knox

Judy Knox, Secretary Unit 144