

Unit 144 TN Bridge Association
Annual Meeting
January 8, 2016

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Larry Alexander - President
Bob Williams- Vice President
Judy Knox –Secretary/Treasurer
Linda Sherrell
Ernie Seger
Barbara Johnson

Parliamentarian – Lee Smart

The Annual Unit 144 Meeting was originally scheduled for November 4, 2015. However, due to the fact that we did not have a quorum present, it has been re-scheduled to January 8, 2016 at 5pm at the Nate Silverstein Tournament. There are 35 members present today.

The meeting was called to order at 5 pm by Larry Alexander, Unit 144 President. A motion was made to dispense with the reading of the minutes from last year and to approve them as written. The motion passed.

Treasurer’s Report – Judy Knox

A detailed report of Income and Expenses was submitted by the Treasurer for the entire year of 2015. This was not an audited financial statement. The following balances were also reported:

Checking Account Balance on 12/31/15: \$17,568.53
Savings Account Balance on 12/31/15: \$20,886.13

Old Business

The Bylaws were amended last year to allow us to hold our annual meeting in conjunction with the annual election of the Board of Directors for area I. However, we have not been able to hold the annual meetings due to lack of a quorum. This has caused us to have to re-schedule the annual meeting for last year and this year. Judy Knox made the following motion to amend the Unit 144 By laws by changing Article IV-Membership Meetings to read: “A. There shall be an annual membership meeting held in connection with the Nate Silverstein Tournament in January unless the Board of Directors, determine it is in the best interest of the Unit 144 members to have the meeting at another time.”

We are also proposing to amend Article V-Unit Board of Directors, paragraph A to add: “The election shall be held in November each year for Unit 144 Board Members.” The motion was seconded by Linda Sherrell. There was a small amount of discussion regarding this motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Linda Sherrell – Youth Bridge Education Liaison

Linda has been working very hard on the Youth Bridge Camps and teaching Youth at Hutchison School. The dates of our 3 summer camps are: Presbyterian Day School in June 20-24, 2016 for 5th graders to 9th graders. It is \$165 per week. Linda will teach at this camp. The other camps are free at Hutchison School. They are July 11 – July 15 for 5th through 9th graders. The next camp is July 25-29 for 10th graders to college students up to age 24. They can win scholarships from ACBL if they help Linda or recruit someone. Linda will have fliers coming out soon. We also have Youth games and classes on Sundays at Lightman Bridge Club. Contact Linda if you want to know anything else or to ask her questions regarding the Youth program.

2019 NABC in Memphis

Russ Jones has asked Larry to submit people’s names who want to help with the NABC in 2019. We have not selected a director or Tournament Chair. It will be held in March of 2019. Please let Larry or Judy Knox know if you are interested. It will be at the Convention Center. The ACBL has made arrangements for us to have space at the Convention Center. It is guaranteed. We have to start right away to get volunteers to help with hospitality and entertainment. There was much discussion regarding the last Memphis NABC and the upcoming tournament.

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Lawsuit

Michael Schrieber is suing Unit 144 again. The attorneys have moved for a dismissal. We are waiting to hear from the Judge to choose dismissal or send it to court. There was much discussion regarding this lawsuit. The insurance company is handling the lawsuit.

A motion was made by Judy Knox to adjourn. It was seconded by Lee Smart. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6pm.

Please see Exhibit A attached for the amended By Laws.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Knox

Judy Knox, Secretary Unit 144