

Unit 144-TN Bridge Association
Board of Director's Minutes
August 14, 2016

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Larry Alexander-President
Bob Williams- vice President
Judy Knox –Secretary/Treasurer

Linda Sherrell
Barbara Johnson
Ernie Seger

Ed Davis, Tournament Coordinator for Tunica
and NABC 2019

The meeting was called to order by Larry Alexander at 5pm. The minutes previously emailed by Judy Knox were approved. This meeting was called by Bob Williams to discuss some changes in the Sectional Tournaments

Treasurer's Report – Judy Knox

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| Checking Account Balance | \$5,908.69 |
| Savings Account Balance | \$29,581.56 |

Discussion

Bob wants us to consider only having 2 sessions per day for our sectionals in the future. He also thinks we should have a reception for one or two nights and not have any night games. We could have a Hospitality night. We could also change the times of the games to 10am and 2:30pm. This has been discussed with Charlie MacCracken and Ken Horwedel and they agree that we should go to only having day games for the next tournament. Our night games were very lightly attended. There was much discussion regarding this new plan.

Judy will start immediately to advertise the tournament. Bob Williams made a motion that we only have 2 sessions per day for all our sectional tournaments in the future. We eliminate night games and replace them with a hospitality session on Thursday night (Gala event) and/or a lecture or class on a bridge topic on Friday night. Ernie Seger seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Ed Davis said he talked to Charlie and he suggested 10am and 2:30 pm for start times. Ed also warned that the Gala we talked about at night might not be well attended. He also asked Charlie about charging \$12. Charlie agreed we should charge \$12 starting next year. Judy Knox made a motion to charge \$12 for Nate Silverstein next year. Barbara Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

NABC – 2019

Ed Davis and Bob Williams will be co-chairs of the NABC for 2019. They have been approved by the District. Bob wants to announce a logo contest for the 2019 NABC. We need a new logo for the 2019 NABC. We need to get this announced within the next 30 days. Judy will send out a mass email and put it in the monthly Newsletter and on the web page. Bob will send Judy the information he wants to use for this promotion.

Youth Bridge Linda Sherrell

Linda gave brief report on what she will present to the District 10 Education program. She has 8 children and 2 adults who want to continue in her after school program. Linda has submitted her budget yesterday. Linda wants to have a tournament for the Youth players to prepare them for the NABC. The fall youth games are on Sunday, 3 times a month and it has been approved by Susan Boyle to have it at Lightman. She now has 8 confirmed and 4 maybes and she feels it has been successful. Linda is using Patty Tucker's books and will not have to buy any more. Linda submitted her budget for the Spring. The board approved her budget unanimously. See copy of her report which is attached. Linda got \$971 from ACBL for the Fall 2015 program. In the Spring of 2016 she had 8 kids. She got a grant from them for the Summer of \$2270 and we only used \$605.22. It was for 2 camps and we only had 1. So we have to pay back some of this money that wasn't spent.

*See Some corrections from Linda below.

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***Corrections from Linda regarding Youth Bridge.** Here are a couple of corrections. There were only 6 youth in the Continuing Bridge Class in the Spring. Only 3 attended the entire time because some students who were in the class had a family problem. Namely, their grandmother was in a serious accident, and they no longer had transportation, so they had to drop the class.

The grant that I received for 2 Summer Youth Camps was for \$2270. I spent \$605.22 of that. I have been told that we will receive a notice of who to return the remainder of funds. We have been approved by the ACBL Educational Foundation for an After-School program at Lightman for a Beginning Bridge (Part 2) program. This is because there are remaining funds from the grant that I wrote last year for \$971.00 (After-School Program for 2015). I used funds from this grant in Fall 2015 and Spring 2016 (one program at Hutchison School and one at MA Lightman). I am presently conducting an After-School program at MA Lightman. At the moment, I have 10 youth, 2 adults attending with 2 other parents who have expressed an interest in joining our class

Ed Davis, Tournament Chair for NABC 2016/Tunica

Ed has bought Bridge mates and duplicate boards for the Unit. He is going to rent them out to other Units to use and to duplicate their boards until they are paid for. He is not limiting this to District 10. He is talking about all surrounding units and Districts. We have to transport them. We owe Sam Love and Judy Hardin money for helping Ed get some items made to use for this purpose. Ed to let me know how much ASAP. Tunica is under control and does not need any help from us so far.

Linda asked if we want to proceed with selling Youth Bridge T Shirts to make some money for the NABC 2019. Bob suggested she sell them at Tunica. Larry stated that this is more of an advertisement than a money making thing. We will table this to the next meeting.

A motion was made to adjourn. The meeting adjourned around 7pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Knox

Judy Knox, Secretary Unit 144

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