

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

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

Linda Sherrell
Barbara Johnson
Ernie Seger (Absent due to illness)

The meeting was called to order by Larry Alexander at 5pm. The minutes previously emailed by Judy Knox were approved.

Treasurer's Report – Judy Knox

Checking Account Balance	\$9,616.53
Savings Account Balance	\$32,573.91

Awards Banquet 2016

The Awards Banquet will be held on April 9, 2016. We award certificates to the Ace of Clubs winners for the year 2015 and medallions for the Mini-McKenney winners for the year 2015. We will also give free dinners and free game plays to these winners. We will also recognize and give free dinners and plays to the new life masters for 2015. Linda Sherrell nominated Piper Ziebarth to receive the Youth ambassador of Bridge Award and it was approved by District 10. Linda will make the presentation for this award to Piper at the awards banquet this year. We will have bar-b-que from Corky's like we had last year. Larry will take care of ordering and paying for this. Judy will order the medallions and send out the letters to the winners. We will have sign- up sheets on the rest room doors. Bob Williams will buy some wine and beer and take care of the bar tending. We will ask Joyce McMonagle to direct and Judy will sanction a Unit Championship game. The dinner will cost \$10 and the game will cost \$6.50. Letters will be sent out on March 19 weekend to invite the recipients. The dinner and game will be advertised on the Unit web page and in the Monthly Newsletter. Judy will also put it on Facebook and send out a mass email.

Sectional Tournament – Discussion for 2016

The Nate Silverstein Sectional Financial Statement was submitted by Judy Knox. We made \$1100 net profit. There was much discussion regarding the tournament and the success of our new location. We also discussed the fact that Charlie MacCracken will not be able to direct the Sky rocket tournament in August this year. He has already assigned a new director, Chris Patrias. This director will be from out of town and will require additional expenses for lodging, per diem and transportation. We may not make a profit on that tournament. We are hopeful that V.T. can give us a discount on his room. Bob Williams is going to talk to V.T. about this.

Tunica Tournament 2015 and 2016

The Tunica Regional Tournament was very successful for 2015. We had a net profit of \$5,000. We were going to move it to the Gold Strike Casino for this year, but the contract fell through and we will have it there next year. We will have the Tunica Tournament at Sam's Town again this year. Ed Davis did an outstanding job as tournament chair this year. We are fortunate to have him.

NABC - 2019

Ed Davis and Bob Williams will be co-chairs of the NABC for 2019. They have been approved by the District.

Youth Bridge – Linda Sherrell

Linda discussed her work on the Youth Program and her up- coming Summer Camps. She plans to advertise the summer camps earlier this year to get more kids involved. There was much discussion regarding the Youth program and other novice programs that Judy Knox has going on. Linda is doing an outstanding job working on the Youth Bridge program.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Knox
Judy Knox, Secretary Unit 144