Unit 144-TN Bridge Association Board of Director's Minutes April 14, 2012

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Ed Davis - President Larry Alexander-Vice President Judy Knox –Secretary Jody Couch – Treasurer Cecile Skaggs Cary Rodgers Al Stone Kathy Love Tom Dixon-Absent Jackie Stewart

The meeting was called to order at 10:30am by Ed Davis, Unit 144 President. The minutes emailed by Judy Knox for February was approved.

Treasurer's Report- Jody Couch

The Income Statement prepared by Jody showed a positive balance of \$7, 932.92 in checking. The Savings account balance was \$14,512.57. Total cash on hand was \$22,445.49. The Treasurer's Report was approved.

Discussion Regarding the New Floor

Al Stone gave a report on the new tiles installed on all the floors in the building. The total cost for the new tiles was \$4600. These costs will more than pay for future maintenance costs that we incurred on keeping the old floors clean. Robert Sanders will come in every Wednesday and clean all the floors for \$65-\$75 per week. This weekly expense will be paid by M.A. Lightman Club not by the Unit.

Sectional Tournaments-2012

A letter was sent to Judy Knox by the Hilton to say we still owe them money due to the room attrition rules in our contract for the Nate Silverstein Tournament. We owe them an additional \$1900 for not renting enough rooms for the last Tournament. This contract was signed by the prior Tournament Chair. We met with the Hilton and cut the \$1900 in half. . Ed made a motion that we pay the Hilton \$950 for the attrition. The motion was approved.

This year we will give people, who stay in the Hilton a free play, the hotel will give them a 10% discount at the hotel restaurants. Ed stated that we are not required to use the Hilton to prepare our lunches this year. Ed has looked into La Baguette to prepare our lunches this year. The Hilton is still allowing us to bring in our own drinks and food during the tournament. New fliers are being prepared and we have a link for the Hilton where people can go and register for the Sky Rocket Sectional. We need to push for people to stay at the Hilton. They will get a free play at the tournament, a 10% discount in the restaurant, free parking and free W-fi in the rooms.

NABC

Ed Davis discussed what a good job Henry and Don and all the Tournament Chairs did in running the NABC Tournament. The Tournament was a huge hit and there were very few negative comments.

Unit Web Site

Tom Dixon will try to update the web site by the next Board Meeting. We are currently looking for a new web master. We will discuss this at the next board meeting.

News Letter – Ellen Burns has resigned from doing the Newsletter. May, 2012 will be the last Newsletter. Cary Rogers made a motion to get Ellen a gift certificate and card to be presented at the Awards Banquet. It was seconded by Jackie Stewart. The motion passed.

Cecile Skaggs – District 10 representative

At the D-10 meeting in January charities were discussed. In recent years money is divided up between the Districts for charities. D-10 receives the money this year. Each district is to choose a charity to receive the funds. Every Unit can submit a Charity and send it to Judy Knox. If we do wish to recommend a Charity, it should be a National Charity rather than a local one. It is something that the Unit can have a say in. We need to send a name to Judy to give to the Districts as our choice by December, 2012. Ed Davis recommended St. Jude. Cecile made a motion to recommend to D10 that St. Jude be considered to receive the ACBL Charity funds. The motion was approved.

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The new Executive Committee is the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, past President and Al Stone. The Executive Committee was approved.

Ed is in the process of cleaning all the bid boxes and bid cards. He is almost finished and will bring the bid boxes back to the club ASAP.

Since there was no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by Ed Davis.

The next Board meeting will be June 9, 2012 at 10:30am.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Knox Judy Knox, Secretary Unit 144