

Unit 144- TN Bridge Association
Board of Director's Minutes
July 12, 2014

BOARD MEMBERS

Larry Alexander-President
Ed Davis- vice President
Judy Knox –Secretary

Linda Thompson- Treasurer
Bill Demetriou
Cecile Skaggs

The meeting was called to order by Larry Alexander at 10:30AM. The minutes of the last Board meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report – Linda Thompson

Checking Account Balance	\$7,558.56
Savings Account Balance	\$15,861.51

Awards Banquet Dinner was a loss of \$53.48. Thanks to Carol and Don Patterson for preparing the dinner. If we had to pay someone, it would have been way above our means. Bill Demetriou made a motion for the Unit to donate \$100 to Alzheimer's Association. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Larry made the following 3 announcements:

1. The lawsuit by Michal Schreiber has been mediated. We were covered by insurance. The Unit is covered under the ACBL policy. We reached a mutual agreement. Michael is no longer a member of M.A. Lightman. However, he is still a Unit 144, district 10 and an ACBL member.
2. The old MAL bridge club no longer exists. It was closed on July 1, 2014. It is now a brand new organization and has been re-structured so the type of lawsuit that just took place cannot happen again.
3. 2 weeks ago Larry signed the building and property over to the new M.A. Lightman Bridge Club except for the tournament tables.

GNT

Cecile talked about the GNT for 2015. She discussed it with Mick. It would cost us \$500 to use Pickering Center in Germantown. If we keep it at Lightman and have the first session in the morning at 9:30am and break for lunch. We would have the afternoon session at 1:30pm. We will have the GNT on February 14, 2015. Judy Knox will clear this date with Charlie MacCracken. The Alzheimer's Day games was a huge success. The 0-1000 players only had 4 tables. This was a disappointment. Kathy Bost and Sharon Ohsfeldt were in charge of the game and they will also do it again next year. They did an outstanding job with the event.

New Item of Old Business- Sky Rocket Tournament

Bob Williams was present to discuss the hospitality for the Sky Rocket Tournament. He also talked about his discussions with Alex, who works for ACBL. She suggested that we could visit some party bridge games and give free instructions for duplicate. Bob also asked Alex and ACBL to give us some items for door prizes to give out at the tournament. Ed Davis will get sandwiches from Jason's Deli this year for the Swiss Team lunch. We will send out an email blast and a sign- up sheet for people to bring food to the tournament this weekend. We are ready for the Tournament.

We need to form a Tournament Committee to try to find a new place to have the 2 tournaments starting in 2016. Our contract will be up with the Hilton at the end of 2015. There was much discussion regarding potential places to have the Unit Tournaments in 2016. Everybody who can think of a new location should check with them about having the tournament for 2016 and report back on their findings at the next board meeting.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for August 23, 2014 at 10:30 am. Cecile made a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 12:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Knox
Judy Knox, Secretary Unit 144