

Unit 144- TN Bridge Association
Board of Director's Minutes
May 17, 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 have not been done for the last board meeting. Judy will get them done and email them out later.

Treasurer's Report – Linda Thompson

Checking Account Balance	\$2,985.76
Savings Account Balance	\$23,858.53

Old Business

Last time we met, we talked about having a Sectional in October in Memphis at Bert Ferguson. Judy sent an email to Charlie MacCracken to see if we could schedule a tournament on that date. Charlie stated that there are no dates available in October, November or December for a Sectional Tournament in Memphis. We are not going to have a sectional tournament in Memphis at Bert Ferguson in 2014. We may try to schedule one in 2015 on another date. Ed thinks we should have it at the Bridge Club in case it is not well received and we would not lose any money. He wants to have it in March, April or May, 2015. It should be in the spring instead of the fall because of the weather per Ed. Ed also stated that there is a Tunica Schedule on the ACBL web page. There will be a full page ad for the Tunica Schedule in the ACBL Bulletin in July.

GNT

Cecile talked about the cost of renting Pickering Center for the GNT games next year. We can get a better price by getting someone who lives in Germantown to book it. It will cost us \$600 to rent it for one day. Starting around 9:30 and break for lunch. We can have sandwiches and finish in the afternoon. They have 21 tables and chairs. We have to set up the tables. The cards and boards are there from the Wednesday game and will give Cecile the keys to get in. We have to make a \$150 deposit and it has to be booked 6 months in advance. It is not anything we have to decide today. We have to verify with Mick that he would direct the game for that day. Cecile will talk to Mick and get the date on the books. We had 10 or 11 tables this year. It was less than last year. We would be able to estimate how much money it will cost and how much money we would make.

New Item of Old Business

M. A. Lightman Bridge Club is separating from Unit 144 and setting up a new corporation. The attorneys are considering 501(c) (3) status. However, they have not decided on 501(c) (3) or 501(c) (7) status. Ed Davis made a motion for the Unit 144 Board of directors to approve the M. A. Lightman Bridge Club in setting up this separate 501(c) corporation. The motion was seconded by Linda Thompson. The motion passed unanimously. The unit will not own the M.A. Lightman Bridge club any more.

New Business

Linda is having problems setting up her financial committee to comply with the ACBL requirements for Units and their bookkeeping/accounting procedures. Larry appointed Bill Frazee, Cecile and Bill Demetriou to be on the Finance Committee to review the Unit's books and records and prepare financial statements for the 2014 year. This should be a very simple procedure since the Unit has very little activity in the checking account.

Sky Rocket Tournament

Judy Knox gave out the Sky Rocket fliers for the Tournament that starts July 31 through August 3. There was a lot of discussion regarding the upcoming tournament. Everything is under control for the Tournament.

The next Board Meeting is tentatively scheduled for July 12, 2014 at 10:30 am. The M.A. Lightman Bridge Club has scheduled their annual meeting on July 12. If they have it before the 1:30 game, we will have to re-schedule our BOD meeting. If they have it after the 1:30 game, we can still have our BOD meeting at 10:30am. Since all of us are MAL members and we want to attend their annual meeting, we will have to re-schedule to accommodate it. I will notify everyone in advance about rescheduling as soon as Bill Frazee lets me know. Cecile made a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 12:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Knox
Judy Knox, Secretary Unit 144

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