

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
OF ACBL UNIT 144**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Unit 144 was held on Friday, February 24, 2017, at the M.A. Lightman Bridge Club. The meeting was called to order at 2pm by Judy Knox.

I. QUORUM. A Quorum was present based on the presence of the following members of the Board: Judy Knox, Ernie Seger, Linda Sherrell, Lee Smart, Bob Williams, and Barbara Johnson.

The following actions were taken by appropriate motions duly made, seconded, and adopted by the majority vote of the Unit 144 Board of Directors..

II. APPROVE PREVIOUS MINUTES. The minutes for the Annual Meeting held on January 30, 2017, had been previously approved by email.

III. ITEMS DISCUSSED.

I. TREASURER'S REPORT

A. Lee Smart reported \$2,671 in the new savings account

II. EDUCATIONAL LIASON REPORT

- A. Linda Sherrell announced that the next bridge camp would be held at Academic Advantage (no charge except a cleaning fee that she estimated to be \$150). Sonya Fleck, VT's daughter, owns Academic Advantage.
- B. At the District 10 meeting in Orange Beach, the District Board voted to match the funding of the After-School Fall program. Linda reported that she has not yet received the check.
- C. Attached are two reports: "After-School Bridge Youth Program – Spring 2017", and "Report to Unit After-School Spring Bridge Budget"
- D. Linda further said she would bring the appetizers for the Awards Banquet as well as a desert.

III. FUNDRAISING

- A. City Save Coupon Books was the first item discussed.. Bob Williams asked if there were rationale for not continuing to sell the books. Judy Knox said that we would sell them again next year so we would not want to over saturate now. Barbara Johnson will send a letter announcing we will sell them again next year.
Lee Smart reported she had already deposited \$1,250 as a result of sold Coupon Books with another \$200 not yet deposited.
- B. Fund Raiser Lunches. Lee Smart reported received \$257 today plus another \$55 from Jackie Stewart. Judy Knox said that Nancy Rosenberg would be paying \$25 though she would not be able to eat. Lee reported that several have offered to donate without attending the lunches. Also that the cost from now on would be \$5.
Judy announced plans to have the lunches every fourth Friday
- C. Judy reported that bake sales are being planned in November or December.
- D. Bob Williams announced one person will be appointed in charge of the Commercial Fundraiser for the National Tournament. But further plans will not be able to be made until the full agenda becomes available, probably this Fall.

- E. Auctions: Lee Smart suggesting selling hand-made quilts this Fall as well as next Fall. Lee volunteered to coordinate.
- F. Garage Sales: Barbara Johnson announced that Donna Touliatos will chair the committee with help from Lynn Yukon and Sherry Thaxton. The plans are for a Fall garage sale, but at present they do not have a place to have it. Several suggestions were made including The Agricenter, the parking lot of Kirby Woods Mall, and the parking lot at the interesection of Ridgeway and Quince. Also discussed was to have a POD on location that would be available for donations to be dropped off.

Lee Smart suggested putting a note in the Newsletter similar to "Be Saving Your Stuff for a Graage Sale Coming This Fall. Details to follow".

IV. NABC 2019 Status Report

- A. Bob Williams announced that as a result of meeting with ACBL, he he will be spending a weekend at the Kansas City Tournament to take notes and study.

V. GNT Swiss Teams

- A. Judy Knox reported GNT is all set up with Mick directing. Cecile Skaggs will bring Lasagna. Judy announced there would be at least 10 teams competing
- B. 0-500 would be classified as C and up to 2,500 would be classified as B

VI. AWARDS BANQUET

- A. Lee Smart reported we will be charging \$15 per person, with award winners eating without cost. This would break down to \$10 for playing the game and \$5 for the meal. Reservations should be made by March 20.
- B. Based on past results, Lee assumed there will be 40 paying people attending resulting in gross revenue of \$600. Costs include BBQ, spaghetti and banna pudding and alcholol. Plus costs for parking lot security. The result would be a comfortable profit for the Club.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

- A. The date for the Skyrocket Tournament is August 17th

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. The date of the next BOD meeting will be set at a later date

IX. THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED

Respectfully submitted, Ernie Seger, Unit 144 Secretary