

Unit 144 TN Bridge Association
Board Meeting
May 24, 2019

Unit 144 BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Barbara Johnson – President
Tom Ebers – Vice President
Judy Knox – Secretary
Lee Smart – Treasurer
Bob Williams - NABC Chair
Ed Davis - Tournament Chair
Tolliver McKinney- Int/Newcomer Chair

Meeting Called to Order

Meeting called to order by Barbara Johnson at 1:30 pm.

Approval of Minutes – Judy Knox

Minutes for 2-17 and 4-30, 2019 were passed out to the Board Members. Both sets of minutes were approved.

Treasurer’s Report – Lee Smart

\$35,000 in checking account per Lee. We lost \$200 from Award Banquet this year. Which is less than last year. Comments were made regarding the low attendance by the novices this year. There were just so many who had other plans and were out of town. The award banquet was a huge success and everyone enjoyed themselves. There was much discussion regarding the Award Banquet and how much we enjoyed it and how good the food was.

NABC Final Report – Bob Williams

Bob stated he does not have a final report regarding profit from the NABC because there are internal issues by ACBL about the budget. He is going to have to get together with Tom and then discuss with ACBL about the costs and income. ACBL was starting a new accounting system. They haven’t got the information for us yet. Lee stated that she really needs this information in order to do the tax returns this year. There was much discussion regarding this issue.

Sky Rocket & Tunica Tournaments- Ed Davis

Advertising was discussed. Our room rate for Tunica is so great we should really use it to advertise the tournament. There was much discussion regarding Tunica and Sky Rocket tournaments. Bracketed B Swiss Teams are the best for Tournaments. We are having a lot of those this year at Tunica. There was much discussion regarding these Tournaments and ways we can get better attendance this year. Deborah is going to get the MAL Board to agree to all our contracts for Sectionals to be held at the new site this year. We will sign separate contracts for each sectional that we hold. Insurance certificate was sent to the agent by Judy to be forwarded to Deborah.

Youth Bridge – Tolliver McKinney

The Youth Camp is going to be June 17 & 24th, 2019. Tolliver submitted flyers. He didn’t have exact number of who has signed up but getting close to having it. It is going to be at the Learning Academy on 376 Perkins Ext. It will be free up to age 25. Ed asked about getting a copy of the grant application. We have the check for \$1350. We want to see what it covers by reviewing the application. We will ask Linda for a copy of the application. There was much discussion regarding Youth Bridge and the summer camps. Ed said he will furnish Linda with tables when she is ready for them. The report done by Lisa Harris and Larry Jackson regarding Youth Bridge is attached to the Feb. 2, 2019 minutes. Linda wants to know about the stipend that she will get if she does not have at least 8 students. ACBL pays a stipend if she has at least 8 students she will receive \$350 from ACBL. If they drop below 8, the District will pay half of it. A motion was made by Tolliver and seconded by Bob Williams that the Unit will pay half of the \$350 stipend if she does not have at least 8 students. The motion passed. \$175 to be paid by District and rest by Unit. Motion passed.

Nominations for Goodwill, Charity Committee members and for a Charity for donations by ACBL

Church Health Center was nominated by Bob Williams and seconded by Lee Smart to be our Charity of the year to receive a donation from ACBL. The motion passed. A nomination for Goodwill committee member was made for Jack Wynn by Lee Smart, Second by Ed Davis. Motion passed. Frank Perlman was nominated by Ed Davis, second by Lee Smart to be our Charity Committee member. Motion passes. Bob nominated Ed Davis to be “volunteer of the year” Lee seconded. Motion passed.

New/Old Business:

1. Barbara wants Lee to do Cash Disbursements and P&L for each month in 2019. Lee will try to do this at the next meeting.
2. Hospitality for Sky Rocket – We have the menus completed. Lee will buy Potato salad from Commissary; Lee will make baked beans and Ed will bring Potato chips.
3. Judy will put out flyers for people to bring desserts and cookies for Sky Rocket.
4. We don't have a separate room for the food this year. Tom and Board needs to make sure food is put away and watch so all food won't be eaten by a few people so everybody gets food.
5. A motion was made by Bob to cut off hospitality 15 minutes before the next game starts at sky Rocket this year. Second by Ed Davis. Motion passed.
6. Bob made a motion for Judy to send out emails for any Unit 144 club as long as it is made in form of an announcement only. To be sent to Barbara for review. Second by Ed Davis. The motion passed.
7. Election to be first of November. Nominating committee is set up 45 days before election date.
8. Next Board Meeting = August 25, Sunday at 1:30 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 4pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Judy Knox, Secretary Unit 144
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