

Unit 144 Board Meeting
September 13, 2020

Meeting was conducted by conference call and meeting was called to order at 2pm. Present was Barbara Johnson(President); Tom Ebers(VP); Bill Demetriou(Sec.); Linda Wells(Treasurer), Judy Knox(District 10 rep.); Ed Davis(tournament chair); Sue Ray(NAP coordinator).

Minutes from 1.12.2020 had been previously approved and submitted to Paul Linxwiler to post on Unit's web site

Treasurer's Report was given by Linda Wells and approved by the board. Lee Smart passed away earlier and we gave our heartfelt appreciation for her years of service. Linda brought up Dorothy Smith who helped Linda with the reports and the board agreed to send her a letter of appreciation. Sue Ray volunteered to do that. In the checking account is \$31,092.03 and the savings account has \$31,752.93 Board approved the Treasurer's report

The slate of candidates for the upcoming election was presented to the board. The slate: Becky Barton, Stacy Hancock, Pat Papachristou, Nancy Rosenberg, Donna Touliatos and Linda Wells. A motion was made by Ed Davis to accept and slate was approved by the board.

Method of voting was the next subject. It was between having people call a phone number and vote by phone which for a donation would be manned by the Food Bank of Memphis or voting by email similar to the way Lightman Learning Ctr. did their vote. After much discussion, the board approved voting by email. Sue ray volunteered to do the tally on an excel spread sheet. Ballots will be email to those who have an email and paper ballots will be mailed to those who do not. These emails and paper ballots will be done by 10.9.2020. Election dates are 11.9.2020 thru 11.14.2020

Paul Linxwiler has agreed to roll over the \$1,200 for updating our website to include 2021.

A discussion was held about getting and maintaining new bridge players. Education is the key as well as the highly successful Chat games done by Tom Ebers. Until the pandemic is over, online education and teaching is all that is available.

The board approved Bruce Wachsman as the new Tournament chair. Currently the next tournament is the Skyrocket from 7.29.2021 thru 8.1.2021. (no site has been discussed for that tournament). The Tunica Regional is current set for 9.27.2021 thru 10.3.2020 at Gold Strike The IN Regional is set for 11.11.2021 thru 11.14.2021. (no site for that one either)

Next board meeting is tentative for 11.15.2020 at 2pm.

The meeting was adjourned.