CALL TO ORDER		JOYCE NEWELL
ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM	Members: MARY BLOCK, BILL BREEN, JERRY COX, DEBBIE DAVIS, SCOTT HANHAM, DONNA JETT, LYDE MCREYNOLDS, CHUCK MESSENGER, JOYCE NEWELL, JAMES POND, Absent: JUDITH RITCHIE. BUILDING MANAGER: KURT SCHNEBELE	JOYCE
MINUTES OF LAST MEETING	M/S/C to approve	MARY BLOCK
TREASURER'S REPORT	Bill has provided both a monthly and year to date with the YTD showing the change from fiscal to calendar year. Joyce requested that a copy of the bank statement be provided for back-up to the report. Bill is working on a budget. There are some outstanding checks related to the holiday party. Report approved for filing.	BILL BREEN
BUILDING MANAGER'S REPORT	Lost money this year because of expenses for repairs: furnace, sewer line, fireplace and purchase of dealing machine. Increase in income because of increased games. Ordinary expenses are also up because of utilities and insurance. Operating at a bare profit. Question about the front door, which is sticking in the wet weather. It could be replaced with a fiberglass door. Brad Dow is checking into this	KURT SCHNEBELE
COMMITTEE/STANDING REPORTS:		
	HOLIDAY PARTY: There was a modest profit, part of the Treasurer's report. The date of 12/3 has been reserved for next year. Jerry will be unable to serve as chair but will assist whomever takes on the task. M/S/C Deb/Lyde to provide a check for \$250 to guarantee the reservation. Jerry will turn in the check.	JERRY COX

	SECTIONAL: Nothing to report	DEBBIE DAVIS
	GOODWILL: Sympathy and get well cards have been sent.	JAMES POND
	MEMBERSHIP: There are three new members and one transfer out.	SCOTT HANHAM
	EDUCATION: EZ Bridge lessons are proceeding. The mentoring program approval and budget item are deferred to the next meeting.	LYDE MCREYNOLDS
	DISTRICT 21 REPORT: Election of officers was held and the same slate re-elected. The youth program was discussed. There is money available for players <26 yo to go to the Youth Nationals in Toronto. Recommendation is required from a recognized organization, such as our Foundation. There is a \$30,000 charity grant disbursed to five different programs in the D21 area. Reno is in the fall rotation for Regional events. There have been problems with room cancellations which cause the otherwise free event space and rooms for directors to cost money	DEBBIE DAVIS
	UNIT GAMES: all the sanctions were used for the year 2016. ACBL is charging extra money for unit games. Club owners are possibly doing more to use club championships instead. Two unit games reserved so far in March.	SCOTT
OLD BUSINESS	REPORT FROM BYLAWS COMMITTEE: nothing to report. Any revisions have to be complete by the end of April so that the revised bylaws can be submitted to the membership and voted on in June. Alan has been the chair. Either Chuck or Debbie will take over to facilitate moving ahead.	JOYCE

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	FINANCIAL REVIEW REPORT: The reporting from club owners of game table rents due and paid needs to be formalized in the contracts with the club owners. One possibility is to utilize the report that goes to ACBL with appropriate adjustments for games not charged . There needs to be a formal compensation agreement with the building manager and provision of a 1099 form. A written inventory of the tangible assets of the unit needs to be maintained and updated at least annually. The club owner contracts and building manager agreement will be referenced in the revised bylaws. The bylaws should also contain a provision that a financial review outside of the board of directors will take place. M/S/C Chuck/Bill to send these matters to the Bylaws committee to be codified as appropriate	DEBBIE/JOYCE/BILL
	CONTRACTS FOR CLUB OWNERS/DIRECTORS: Debbie has a list from some of the directors of some things they would like to see. Would like to invite the club owners to a meeting to look at the draft when we have that. Discussion of club owners being invited to attend a meeting. Noted that all meetings are open to everyone.	DONNA/KURT/CHUCK
	DUPLICATING MACHINE: Doug and Alan have both expressed interest in purchasing the old machine. M/S/C Donna/Lyde that Joyce will send out an e-mail to the club owners inviting a sealed bid by the end of January.	KURT
	GOODWILL MEMBER OF THE YEAR: Bill prepared an excellent referral for Hetty Eddy, but it was too late for the November 30 D21 deadline, so it will be held for next year, with modification by Debbie.	DEBBIE/BILL
NEW BUSINESS:	POSSIBLE CHANGE OF MEMBERSHIP AWARDS GAME: No change. The Brad Dow Appreciation game will be the second Sunday in March. Lyde will be the placeholder for the sanction. Joyce will ask Doug to direct. There will be a unit game Foundation fundraiser sometime after March.	SCOTT
	NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Arlene Seckel, Hetty Eddy, Sarah Stern. Will go in newsletter and Forum.	JOYCE
	FACEBOOK: should be rolled in to the Webmaster presence. D21 FB page is looking for information and communication.	MARY

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	Change in Saturday game: Has been approved by the Building Manager. There is some incorrect information about the game schedule. Reagendize for next meeting. Ron Coffee is now the Disciplinary Chair. Mary is instructed to update the officers with Sandy Davis at the D21 office.	
ADJOURNMENT: NEXT MEETING:	FEBRUARY 9, 2017 SECOND THURSDAY IN FEBRUARY	

FEBRUARY 9, 2017

CALL TO ORDER		JOYCE NEWELL
ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM	Members: MARY BLOCK, JERRY COX, SCOTT HANHAM, DONNA JETT, CHUCK MESSENGER, JOYCE NEWELL, JUDITH RITCHIE BUILDING MANAGER: KURT SCHNEBELE Absent: BILL BREEN, DEBBIE DAVIS, DONNA JETT, LYDE MCREYNOLDS, JAMES POND CALLED TO ORDER AT 4:18	JOYCE
MINUTES OF LAST MEETING	M/S/C to approve Chuck/Jerry	MARY BLOCK
TREASURER'S REPORT	Deferred to next meeting in Bill's absence. Chuck pointed out that a line item in the budget is needed if money is going to be spent other than with specific Board approval. Budget also deferred to next meeting.	BILL BREEN (absent)

BUILDING MANAGER'S REPORT	Attendance/income have been normal. Expenses have been larger than normal, including another \$800 for sewer clearance two days ago. There is an estimate of \$6,000 to replace the sewer line out to the street; Kurt is still researching the responsibility of the Unit vs. the responsibility of the City of Marina. Kurt stated his opinion that the roof needs to be replaced after this rainy season. Shingles are flying off all over the place. He has an estimate of \$20,000 for that. Attendance is normal. Regarding the sticking doors, Brad is sending someone on Saturday to fix. Because of the daunting prospect of roof/sewer repairs, discussion followed re the prospect of finding some place to rent in the near future. The Foundation has some responsibility for this process. The Board expressed a consensus to look for another facility. Someone from the Foundation, either Doug or Barbara, will attend the next Board meeting. Kurt will send out the page of the report that has the table count. Discussion of transition of Building Manager from Kurt to Chuck. Chuck is willing to continue the practice of having a separate account for the Building. Bill Breen will be consulted. The transition/merging of finances issues are deferred to the next meeting.	KURT SCHNEBELE
COMMITTEE/STANDING REPORTS:		
	HOLIDAY PARTY: A new chair for the party needs to be appointed, not necessarily a board member. This should be done before July. The date is locked in with the Elks, but not with the caterer.	JERRY COX
	SECTIONAL: No report in Debbie's absence. James has taken to life master plaque t be updated	DEBBIE DAVIS (absent)
	GOODWILL: No report in James' absence. He has taken the Life Master plaque to be updated.	JAMES POND (absent)

	MEMBERSHIP: Report on new members and transfers out. Note that the names/information on new members cannot be taken directly from the ACBL roster to the unit membership directory because of privacy issues. The members need to consent. The same is true for the e-mail membership list maintained by Kurt. Judy will let the new members know of this fact.	JUDY RITCHIE
	EDUCATION: MENTORING PROGRAM Deferred to next meeting in Lyde's absence	LYDE MCREYNOLDS (absent)
	DISTRICT 21 REPORT: no report in Debbie's absence.	DEBBIE DAVIS (absent)
	UNIT GAMES: A director is needed for the Holiday Party in order for Scott to obtain the Sanction. Doug is doing the Brad Dow game and Marianne is doing the June game.	SCOTT HANHAM
OLD BUSINESS	REPORT FROM BYLAWS COMMITTEE: nothing to report	JOYCE
	FINANCIAL REVIEW REPORT: nothing more to be done Remove from future agendas.	DEBBIE/JOYCE/BILL
	CONTRACTS FOR CLUB OWNERS/DIRECTORS: Deferred to next meeting. Kurt has a draft.	DONNA/KURT/CHUCK
	DUPLICATING MACHINE: Sealed bids were received from Doug and Alan, with Doug 's bid of \$500 being the greater of the two.	KURT
NEW BUSINESS:	Jerry raised the issue of having Pro-Am team game. This was popular in the past but is difficult to arrange the partnerships/teams. Discussion also of having a Barometer Unit game. Kurt will send out an e-mail asking of there is interest in having either type of Unit Game and asking whether anyone is interesting in being a facilitator for the Pro-Am Team game.	
	ADJOURNED AT 5:05	
ADJOURNMENT: NEXT MEETING:	MARCH 9, 2017 SECOND THURSDAY IN MARCH	

CALL TO ORDER		JOYCE NEWELL
ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM	Members: MARY BLOCK, BILL BREEN, JERRY COX, SCOTT HANHAM, DONNA JETT, LYDE MCREYNOLDS, JOYCE NEWELL, JAMES POND, JUDITH RITCHIE Absent: DEBBIE DAVIS, CHUCK MESSENGER BUILDING MANAGER: KURT SCHNEBELE ABSENT.	JOYCE
MINUTES OF LAST MEETING		MARY BLOCK

	INFORMATIONAL REPORT FROM FOUNDATION Offices have been changed around. Doug Halleen is now the President. Barbara Genovese is Treasurer. Barb has met with Lane Lang, the City Manager of Marina. He thinks that we are a positive type of group for Marina. There is space that has been set aside for recreation, including an abandoned roller rink to be turned into indoor swimming. There is open space near the equestrian area of of Imjin. He did not know of a time frame for hotel development. Discussion among board members. We need about 5000 sf in order to host the Sectional, somewhat less if used efficiently. One view was that we should spend what we have to in order to stay another couple of years or so. Purchase of a building is out of the question. Another view is that we should start looking for rental space, taking into account costs of reconfiguration and moving. Landlords of retail/restaurant space do not want to rent to us because they want a percentage of sales. An office/business park would be better. There is an old laundry building near Best Buy which may be available with some funding through NEA. Consensus that our needs should be better identified in terms of size, amenities, etc. Jerry, Bill, and Kurt are appointed to look into this issue and also the issue of increasing table rent in order to increase income for the Unit. If the table rent were raised from \$2.50 to \$4.50 per player, that would be an increase of 25%, other things being equal. The club owners would charge \$10/player. Motion to that effect died for lack of a second.	BARBARA GENOVESE
TREASURER'S REPORT	No transactions this month.	BILL BREEN
BUILDING MANAGER'S REPORT	No report in Kurt's absence	KURT SCHNEBELE ABSENT
COMMITTEE/STANDING REPORTS:		
	HOLIDAY PARTY: no report. A new chair needs to be appointed. Does not need to be a board member.	CHAIR TBD
	SECTIONAL: No report	DEBBIE DAVIS ABSENT

	GOODWILL: some cards have been sent.	JAMES POND
	MEMBERSHIP: membership remains about constant.	JUDY RITCHIE
	EDUCATION: MENTORING PROGRAM nothing to report	LYDE MCREYNOLDS ABSENT
	DISTRICT 21 REPORT: nothing to report	DEBBIE DAVIS
	UNIT GAMES: nothing to report.	SCOTT
OLD BUSINESS	BUDGET: M/S/C Jerry/Judy to accept as presented with the only change being that the money allocated for education/speaker be taken out and moved to reserve/miscellaneous.	BILL
	CONTRACTS FOR CLUB OWNERS/DIRECTORS: nothing to report	DONNA/KURT/CHUCK
	REPORT FROM BYLAWS COMMITTEE: Nothing to report. This would have to be completed by May 1 in order to be on the ballot for membership approval.	?
	MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORIES: The directories are ready to be distributed with a donation of \$1.00 being requested.	MARY
NEW BUSINESS:	NONE	
ADJOURNMENT: NEXT MEETING:	ADJOURNED AT 5:10 NEXT MEETING THURSDAY, APRIL 13 AT 4:00 SECOND THURSDAY IN APRIL	

APRIL 13, 2017 4:00

CALL TO ORDER		JOYCE NEWELL
ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM	Members Present: MARY BLOCK, BILL BREEN, JERRY COX, DEBBIE DAVIS, SCOTT HANHAM, LYDE MCREYNOLDS, CHUCK MESSENGER, JOYCE NEWELL, JAMES POND, JUDITH RITCHIE Members Absent: DONNA JETT BUILDING MANAGER: KURT SCHNEBELE GUESTS: Alan Hedegard, Brad Dow, Betty Jackson, Maja	JOYCE
MINUTES OF LAST MEETING	M/S/C to approve Bill/Scott	MARY BLOCK
TREASURER'S REPORT	TREASURER'S REPORT: accepted for filing	BILL BREEN
BUILDING MANAGER'S REPORT	There was a loss this quarter due to repairs and the purchase of a used store. Otherwise operations were normal. There was a problem with the coffee maker due to overfilling, not an intrinsic electric problem. When this happens, the coffee maker needs to be allowed to dry out and then reset the circuit breaker.	KURT SCHNEBELE
COMMITTEE/STANDING REPORTS:		
	HOLIDAY PARTY: DEFERRED	CHAIR TBD
	SECTIONAL: Posters need to be made. Additional chairs need to be obtained. Jerry will have the checkbook as Bill will be out of town. A change bank will be provided as requested by the Director. Fliers have been distributed. An additional porta-potty will be obtained.	DEBBIE DAVIS

	GOODWILL: NOTHING TO REPORT	JAMES POND
	MEMBERSHIP: There have been a few transfers in and out. Membership is holding steady at 392.	JUDY RITCHIE
	EDUCATION: Lyde is to proceed with the Mentoring program as was implemented in the past. The Unit will reimburse the mentors for one half of their table fees. It is expected that the each mentor/mentee will play together three times over three months. There is a goal of encouraging I/N players to play in the open games.	LYDE MCREYNOLDS
	DISTRICT 21 REPORT: Nothing to report. Any concerns should be conveyed to Debbie prior to the next meeting at the Sacramento Sectional.	DEBBIE DAVIS
	UNIT GAMES: The annual membership game is Sunday, June 11. Marianne will direct and the sanction will be under her club. The Foundation has asked for a sanction for a game on July 2, a benefit for the Foundation. Larry has asked for two additional unit game sanctions for his club games.	SCOTT
OLD BUSINESS		
	CONTRACTS FOR CLUB OWNERS/DIRECTORS: DEFERRED TO NEXT REGULAR MEETING	DONNA/KURT/CHUCK
	REPORT FROM BYLAWS COMMITTEE: Alan has sent in suggestions; Debbie is working on a draft. There will be a special board meeting on Thursday, April 27 at 4:00 to discuss the draft and have it ready for membership approval at the June meeting.	DEBBIE

	ELECTION OF BOARD: Debbie is standing for re-election. Additional candidates are Susan Mazzei, Susan Mehra, and Mary Quenette. Mary will prepare and have the ballots printed after the April 24 deadline for nominations. Ballots and envelopes will be available at the Bridge Center after May 1. Voting closes at the time of the June Meeting. An Election Committee will be appointed to count the ballots. Mary will serve and Joyce will appoint at least one additional member.	
	BUILDING MANAGER: DEFER TO NEXT REGULAR MEETING	JOYCE
NEW BUSINESS:	BUILDING UPKEEP BY DON GRAHAM: In recognition of Don's years of volunteering to keep up the building, inside and out, the Board voted unanimously to honor him as Goodwill Member of this year. He will be presented with a Goodwill Pin, a thank-you card, and a check for \$200.00. Motion to that effect: M/S/C Lyde/Bill	LYDE

	BRIDGE CENTER VENUE: Brad Dow reported on a possible venue at the Monterey Fairgrounds. Utilities and weekly janitorial service are both included in the \$500 monthly rent. There would be five weeks during the spring/summer/fall that would be blacked out and we would not be able to use the facility. There may also be an unknown number of Saturdays during the rest of the year that would be unavailable. There is secure space available to store the Unit's possession during a blackout. There are many questions that remain to be answered, e.g., parking and general accessibility, security, kitchen facilities, terms of extension past 12/31/17. The board voted 8 to 1 with one abstention to authorize Brad to continue negotiating with the Fairgrounds management. M/S/C Bill/Jerry. Debbie will make a list of questions with input from the board members and club owners. Brad will report back and a special board meeting will be scheduled on this issue, date to be determined. Chuck raised the issue of the option to spend the necessary money to make repairs to the current location, both temporary and in the longer term. Kurt is instructed to obtain written estimates for both patching and replacing the roof and firm estimates for the sewer repairs. Brad offered to assist with the roofing estimates. Kurt reported a reluctance to attract the attention of the City of Marina as the Unit does not have a business license and there has never been an inspection of the premises.	JOYCE
ADJOURNMENT: NEXT MEETING:	SPECIAL MEETING ON BYLAWS: THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 4:00 SPECIAL MEETING ON VENUE: TO BE ANNOUNCED PENDING REPORT FROM BRAD. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:45 NEXT MEETING: SECOND THURSDAY IN MAY: MAY 11 AT 4:00	

MAY 11, 2017

CALL TO ORDER		JOYCE NEWELL
ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM	Members: MARY BLOCK, JERRY COX, DEBBIE DAVIS, SCOTT HANHAM, LYDE MCREYNOLDS, CHUCK MESSENGER, JOYCE NEWELL Absent: BILL BREEN, DONNA JETT, JAMES POND, JUDITH RITCHIE BUILDING MANAGER: KURT SCHNEBELE	JOYCE
MINUTES OF LAST MEETING	M/S/C to approve as written, Chuck/Lyde	MARY BLOCK
TREASURER'S REPORT	Approved in Bill's absence. No bank statement was attached. Kurt will e-mail ti to Joyce. Jerry and Bill will both be absent for the sectional, so Jerry will provide signed blank checks to Debbie.	BILL BREEN absent
BUILDING MANAGER'S REPORT	The table count is down, for unexplained reasons, though not all the reports are in. There have been extra cleaning expenses in anticipation of the sectional. The estimate for roof repairs is \$1,995. This estimate was obtained through Brad. More information is needed regarding what that estimate covers and the estimated life before full replacement is needed. The sewer pipe replacement estimate from Roto Rooter is \$6,500. There is a possibility that this may not be needed. Brad had the City of Marina blow out the sewer line and it is too soon to know whether that has worke yet. A decision will need to be made on the roof by July or August. Donna has provided Kurt with the name of another roofer. Kurt has purchased additional decks of cards for the sectional.	KURT SCHNEBELE
RECURRING BUSINESS:		
	HOLIDAY PARTY: A new chair is still needed, with no one on the board willing to serve, a member from outside will need to be obtained. The menu decision needs to be made soon.	CHAIR TBD

	SECTIONAL: Debbie is working on getting two porta-potties. Not very many people have signed up to help or bring food. Kurt will send out a e-mail blast.	DEBBIE DAVIS
	GOODWILL: nothing to report	JAMES POND absent
	MEMBERSHIP: hovering around 394	JUDY RITCHIE absent
	EDUCATION: Lyde working on the mentoring program, to start in June.	LYDE MCREYNOLDS
	DISTRICT 21 REPORT: none until after Sacramento	DEBBIE
	UNIT GAMES: There will be a pro-am pairs game on Sunday, September 10. Larry will direct, Lyde wll be partnership chairman. Scott will obtain the sanction. A host is needed. Kurt will make a poster for the June membership game. Marianne is director; Barbara Genovese is host.	SCOTT
OLD BUSINESS	BUILDING MANAGER AGREEMENT: nothing has been done yet.	KURT/CHUCK
	CONTRACTS FOR CLUB OWNERS/DIRECTORS: nothing has been done yet.	DONNA/KURT/CHUCK
	REPORT FROM BYLAWS COMMITTEE: Issue of election nominations by petitions has been solved with new language. The number of directors will go down to nine, Following much discussion, the bylaws with the amendments were voted on by e-mail. Bylaws approved for submission to the membership by a vote of 5 to 1.	DEBBIE
	REPORT ON POSSIBLE NEW VENUE: Bill Breen is still working on the Ft. Ord Library. Re the Fairgrounds, no more info. Brad is still working on that. There is a possibility of a venue for Saturday games somewhere else on the Fairgrounds other than the main venue.	JOYCE
NEW BUSINESS:		

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ADJOURNMENT: NEXT MEETING:	Meeting held open for voting by e-mail on the proposed bylaws. Meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m. Next meeting: JUNE 8, 2017	
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CALL TO ORDER	4:00 p.m.	DEBBIE DAVIS
ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM	Members: Debbie Davis, Bill Breen, Jerry Cox, Scott Hanham, Donna Jett, Susan Mazzei, Susan Mehra, James Pond Mary Quenette, Judith Ritchie Acting Secretary: Mary Block Building Manager: Kurt Schnebele	DEBBIE
INTRODUCTIONS	Old and new board member introductions; Debbie distributed an informational handout describing unit officers, chairs and committees	
ELECTION OF OFFICERS	PRESIDENT: Debbie Davis VICE PRESIDENT: Scott Hanham SECRETARY: Susan Mehra TREASURER: Bill Breen (accepting to serve conditionally until end of calendar year when a new treasurer will need to be elected, candidate to be identified asap so training and transition can occur).	
TREASURER'S REPORT	Report included final sectional \$ figures: income totaled \$4688.00; expenses totaled \$152. Discussion about ways to raise money for the unit: holding more unit games, Christmas and Pro/Am games. No action taken. M/S/C to accept report, Scott/Mary	BILL
MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING	Motion to accept minutes as submitted: M/S/C: Bill/Scott	minutes prepared by Mary Block
BUILDING MANAGER'S REPORT	Net income for Apr, May, June was a loss of \$964, with a slight profit in June. Kurt will forward ACBL QUIP reports to board members	KURT
RECURRING BUSINESS:		

HOLIDAY PARTY: Donna will verify that she is available to chair the event or let the board know soon if she is unable to do it. She said she may have recommendations for alternative chairs if un able to chair herself.	
SECTIONAL : Next sectional will be May 18, 19, 20, 2018. NLM attendance was down for last sectional.	DEBBIE
GOODWILL : James explained his duties to new board members	JAMES
MEMBERSHIP : Unit has 394 members: this includes 4 new members and 1 member who transferred out. We also have 2 new junior members. Report from Judy Ritchie who is leaving board: need new membership chair	
EDUCATION: To ask Lyde if she will continue as Education chair even though she is now no longer on the board. Lyde has again started a mentorship program that is ongoing, pairing more expert players with those more novice. There was a discussion about having events with featured speakers. Some similar events in the past were good fund-raisers for the unit although others did not turn out as well. Scott reported that he had written an article based on an interview with Lyde that will appear in the newsletter. He is hoping to get it published in the bulletin and online.	

	DISTRICT 21 REPORT: Debbie is our current unit representative. We need to appoint a new District rep and an alternate so that we can insure that we have voting members at all appropriate district level meetings. There will be 5 regional events in the coming years. Debbie reported that the regional held in Modesto last year fell short of the required number of sold hotel rooms (excessive room cancellations and early departures). The District was assessed \$20,000 and lost use of hospitality and director rooms. However, if the upcoming Modesto regional is successful and enough hotel rooms are booked, most of that fine will be erased. The intent is to have Reno become a permanent part of the Regional rotation.	DEBBIE
	UNIT AND NAP GAMES: The unit pro/am game will be held on September 10. There was a discussion about whether or not to hold NAP qualifying games for next year. There has been a request from Lyde to have separate NLM/LM NAP qualifiers. The ACBL permits each Unit to have one stratified qualifier NAP game each fall (Sept-Nov). In 2016, we did not have enough LM players sign up for the fall NAP game. Consequently, we only had NLM players in 2016! Lyde recommends that we repeat this if we do not have enough LM players signup for this year's fall NAP game. We also need to pick which Sunday we will hold the fall NAP game on and who will organize/lead it. The Unit also needs to identify a NAP/GNT and Tournament coordinator since the resignation of prior chairs.	SCOTT
OLD BUSINESS:		
	CONTRACTS FOR CLUB OWNERS/ DIRECTORS: Discussion about the need to set up guidelines for setup and breakdown of games.	DONNA, CHUCK, KURT
NEW BUSINESS		

	UNIT GAME OF JUNE 11 COMPLAINT: Jill Leach addressed the board to say that she felt the complaint issue should be resolved quickly with no board action at this time and also that she thought the last minute changes at the unit game were inappropriate and should have been handled differently. Debbie moved that we establish a "Zero Tolerance Policy" for our unit: M/S/C, Debbie, Mary. Debbie also said she wants to do outreach to educate the unit membership as a whole about the policy. No further action was taken by the board.	DEBBIE
	chrome Books for Robo PLAY: Scott reported that ACBL allows clubs to use computer robots during games to eliminate half-table problems. He proposed we purchase 2 Chrome Book laptops (\$125 each) for game directors to use if they choose to do so. Motion to purchase the laptops: M/S/C to purchase 2 laptops, Donna/Scott: passed with 2 abstentions (Debbie, James)	SCOTT
ADJOURNMENT: NEXT MEETING	5:50 p.m. August 10, 2017 @ 4 p.m.	DEBBIE

MONTEREY BRIDGE CLUB ACBL UNIT 530 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2017 Minutes of the meeting

CALL TO ORDER: Debbie Davis 4:15 p.m.

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM: Debbie Davis; Jerry Cox, Bill Breen, Scott Hanham, Susan Mazzei, Susan Mehra, James Pond, Mary Quenette; building manager Kurt Schnebele; guest Jim Leuker

PRESENTATION: Debbie introduced Jim Leuker who is running for the ACBL Board of Directors. Jim is from San Francisco. He is currently President of district 21 and has held that post for the past 2 years. He said he want to work to keep our regional tournaments viable even though increasing costs for venues makes that difficult. Jim emphasized that he wants to serve at the National Board level. Wants to be on national board re issues: Issues that are important to him: 1. He thinks the software the ACBL uses is inadequate and wants to introduce a model currently used in Europe: 2. He thinks there are morale problems at national headquarters and that we need to get new staff hired quickly: 3. He said he is "big on bridge education" and that he has developed a new package/game called "Handz" that is a new way to learn bridge. He says it has been very well received by kids and is useful for any beginning bridge players.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Approved as written: M/S/C Bill/James

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bill Breen

Bill reported that the final money for the last sectional has been paid out. We spent \$100 to publicize in the District 21 circular. Payments in support of the mentor program will be made in the education category as we reimburse the Directors when the mentors turn in their red tickets worth \$4 off per game. Treasurer's Report and Bank Statement for July 2017 accepted/filed. M/S/C Jerry/Susan Mazzei

BUILDING MANAGER'S REPORT: Kurt Schnebele

Kurt submitted the monthly income/expense report. We have purchased "robots" that have been used several times successfully. Roof repairs will not take place immediately—perhaps October or later. Poster for Pro/Am game is up.

RECURRING BUSINESS:

Holiday Party: chair TBD—Debbie has not heard back from Donna Jett re her availability to chair this event. Jerry reported that he got call today from caterer, Caron DeSeguirant?, at Elks Club requesting a deposit for the luncheon meal. Deposit for the facility has already been made, but a separate deposit needs to be

made to the caterer. Jerry said we need decide on a menu in the next two weeks. Last year's menu seemed to be well received. Total expenses for last year were \$3400-- \$345 directors, gifts \$518, room \$250 and food \$2280. Total revenue was \$3790. Clearly, there is a need to establish a chair for the event. Debbie hopes to get status from Donna very soon.

Sectional: Debbie reported that Ewan Eby has agreed to co-chair the sectional. A flyer for the event will be prepared by our next meeting.

Goodwill: James reported that John Chambers passed away and that several other members had a variety of health problems. Debbie asked if anyone knew where our supply of "goodwill pins" was kept. No board member had seen them. We have two people whose names have been put forward as goodwill ambassadors and it would be nice to present them with a pin.

Membership: Susan Mazzei has agreed to take over the Membership position. Current in/out report: 1 new member; 2 reinstated; 1 transfer into unit; 2 transfers out of unit; 1 death. Total members 392. Debbie said we need to update binders for new board members.

Education: No one yet has accepted the position. Lyde was doing this job and several other jobs (tournament coordinator, grand national team and north American pairs coordinator). We need to find replacements for all these positions. Scott said he and Jackie Ortiz will handle reserving a date for our next unit qualifier game. He will check with her to find open dates. We will aim for mid-October. Mentor update: Red cards are being turned in by designated mentors, so that program seems to be working well.

District 21 report: Debbie discussed the upcoming election of a National representative for our unit. Besides Jim Leuker, there are two other candidates. Voting will be via email within the next 4-5 week. Richard Papst has agreed to be our District Representative. Debbie still plans to attend meetings (as President of our board)

OLD BUSINESS:

Unit and NAP games: see below under New Business

NEW BUSINESS

Unit Game Director guidelines: Debbie reported that she had located some information about procedures and responsibilities for unit games. Bill passed out a proposed "Terms of Use" form for use as an agreement between Unit 530 and club owners. Debbie plans to create a contract for club owners to sign for conducting games in our facility. Copies of these documents will be distributed to board members for feedback and further discussion.

Zero tolerance unit policy: Debbie proposes that we print up a card to be kept in bidding boxes that describes our unit zero tolerance policy. She suggested

we adopt a model card from another unit and that we allocate \$100 to have them printed. Several board members requested time to read and make suggestions about the wording on the card. Motion was made to purchase cards (Debbie/James): motion failed.

Chair nominations: Debbie reported she has asked several people, but is not getting any takers to fill open positions.

Unit Pro-Am game: sign-ups are in process

Posting of interview with Lyde: Scott requested that the interview with Lyde that appeared in the last newsletter be hung on the wall next to her picture. Debbie said she would look into suitable ways to do this.

Unit Board member terms: Jerry requested that we add a discussion on next month's agenda regarding the change in the newly amended by-laws re two v/s three year terms for board members.

ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING 6 p.m. Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, September 14, 2017 at 4 p.m.

Minutes

DATE: Thursday, September 14, 2017

CALL TO ORDER: Debbie Davis: 4:10 p.m.

PRESENT: Debbie Davis, Bill Breen, Susan Mazzei, Susan Mehra, Mary Quenette

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: M/S/C: Bill/Susan Maz

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bill

- Report for Sectional in will be completed in a separate report. The \$4 cards for mentors are still coming in.
- Caterer deposit for Christmas event has been made: \$1000
- Pro/Am event held on Sept 10, 2017: Proceeds were \$528. Expenses included Sanction fee \$21.25, director fee \$119, space rental fee \$100. We will show a profit of about \$180.

Motion to accept Treasurer's report: M/S/C: Mary/Susan Me

BUILDING MANAGER'S REPORT: Kurt Schnebele

- Paid annual insurance for the building: \$1057.00
- Discussion about ACBL umbrella insurance. Since we own our building, it makes our unit unusual re insurance for liability. Debbie to look into whether the ACBL insurance covers our tournament games. Other income/expenses "normal."
- Expenses have gone up 30% for 2017--mostly due to utilities rate increases. We are also looking at an increased expense for janitorial/cleaning services. We may need to increase table fees.

Motion to accept Building Manager's report: M/S/C: Susan Maz/Bill

RECURRING BUSINESS:

Holiday party:

Debbie has agreed to host. Mary said she will assist. Before next month's board meeting Debbie/Mary will work on a flyer. Going with last year's menu. Caterer deposit has been made.

To check if Alan would be willing to do unit NAP qualifier.

October Sectional:

Ewan Eby will co-chair with Debbie. to have flyer with different strata sections ready in October. Discussion of what strata to offer.

Goodwill: James—no report

Membership: Susan Maz

Kurt will forward "in/out" report from ACBL to Susan

In the past month, we had 3 new members, 1 transfer from Santa Cruz, 3 transfers out.

There are 4 inactive people who have not paid into unit.

Total 391 members currently.

Education

No education chair as of yet. However, the pro/am was successful, mentoring and classes are all in progress. Debbie purchased a Handz game that will be made available to youth groups.

• **District 21 report**: Debbie Davis

Update from last meeting in Santa Clara:

- (1) To cease use of the "stop" card in regional games. It will be the option of club owners whether or not the "stop" card remains in the bidding box. The board can decide if it remains for unit games.
- (2) No longer recommended to say "15 to 17" after a 1 no trump opening, but only to comment on point count if a different system is played. Lyde has said she will eliminate this call from her games.

Debbie asked all board members to vote in district election.

OLD BUSINESS:

• Unit and NAP games update:

Next unit game is Christmas party

To have a sanctioned Halloween game—Doug will need to apply. Debbie thinks the board should have a process for applying for sanction. In past, Kurt has kept track of conflicts of dates with ACBL for sanctioned events. October 22 (Sunday) Unit NAP qualifier. We only have enough players qualified to have non-life master flighted qualifier. Need email and poster for this event.

• **Contract for club owners**—review for next meeting. Look into adding requirement that directors carry out trash after every game. It was agreed that we also need to have a new plan for cleaning linens. Our plan should be

in place for the February 2018 board meeting when directors be in attendance.

Zero tolerance cards

Debbie and Betty Jackson are working on the wording of a specific policy for our unit.

- **Establish length of term for current board members** re new bylaws All four new board members are willing to serve for up to 3 years. Need to establish how long current older members of board are planning to remain on board.
- **Posting of Scott's interview** with Lyde—postpone until next meeting

NEW BUSINESS:

- Kurt will find out the current situation with janitorial/cleaning service.
- Alan has offered to donate a screen to use as a projector. Wants unit to pay for mounting it. Wants to use it for education purposes. Kurt will meet with Alan to determine how to proceed with the project.
- Also need to replace refrigerator: it is old and leaking. Kurt will provide estimate next meeting for costs of refrigerator and repair of kitchen drawers.

No board meeting in December

ADJOURNMENT 5:30/NEXT MEETING: Thursday, 4 p.m., October 12, 2017

MINUTES

DATE: Thursday, October 12, 2017

CALL TO ORDER: Debbie Davis, 4:15 pm

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM: Debbie Davis, Jerry Cox, Scott Hanham, James Pond,

Mary Quenette, Susan Mazzei, Bill Breen, Kurt Schnebele

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: A motion was made to accept the minutes and Scott seconded. The motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bill Breen

We have had a lot of mentoring this month, with \$200 paid out under the education category.

Bill announced that Mary volunteered to take over the job of treasurer, replacing Bill. To make this change, the board must approve by vote and prepare a letter signed by the board president. Jerry Cox to provide Debbie w/ letter template for her to revise and sign. Debbie will have this available for the Nov. meeting. The letter saying we are making this change, along with a copy of board minutes corroborating the change, must be taken to Union Bank. Her term will begin December 1, 2017. Susan nominated Mary. James seconded. A vote was taken and the change was approved.

Debbie told the board that she had been contacted by the executor of a member's estate who wants to leave a donation to the bridge center. The executor needs contact information and an address to which the donation will be sent. The donation can be sent to the treasurer. Our budget has a line for donations, and tax consequences are not a concern. We may suggest to club members that they, too, can do this. Debbie to provide this info. to the executor.

BUILDING MANAGER'S REPORT: Kurt Schnebele

A chart with the five-year history shows that August has the highest table count, and it drops off in September. The total income minus expenses was \$462.82 for September. We are about \$5,000 behind last year's total, due to the purchase of a dealing machine.

Kurt has found sliders for the kitchen drawers, and they cost about \$100. They are European cabinets and work differently than the cabinets typically in US kitchens.

The current cleaning service comes in twice a week; they clean and restock the bathrooms, clean walls, and sweep. They offer other services, such as scrubbing

floors, vacuuming, and trash chores. We could increase the service to three times a week. Something should be done because we have more players using the Center, and when Kurt was gone, the bathrooms got dirty. An alternative would be to obtain additional cleaning services from another (supplemental) cleaner, or ask the current cleaners to come in three times a week. Debbie will look into this solution. The current cost is \$280 per month.

Debbie mentioned that the biggest complaint is the kitchen. We have had volunteers (players) doing some of the cleaning in the past. We allow students to use our facilities free of charge; we could ask them if they would help clean, maybe wipe off tables, and other such chores. Bridge teachers and the Shuffle-and-Play group are two groups mentioned.

We also can amend the contracted schedule and ask the cleaners to clean the tables and the kitchen. The current arrangement specifies that the director is supposed to clean the kitchen. We can remind directors to clean. We are entering a low-use period; however, overall we have more games. Debbie told the board that there are no, or few, complaints when Kurt is here, so she hesitates to recommend three cleanings per week. Board members discussed how many times per week we should have the cleaners come in. Presently, they are not cleaning kitchen at all; kitchen cleaning is each director's responsibility. Kurt will get prices and we will decide at next month's meeting. There will be no board meeting in December, 2017. It was noted that we have ant problem.

We need a new refrigerator. Home Depot has an 18 cubic foot refrigerator for \$600, or we could consider getting a used refrigerator. The one we have now is especially crowded when we have regional games or potluck games. Kurt will cost out refrigerators.

Kurt will call an electrician in Marina to price replacing the defective or worn out ballasts in the lights. Brad Dow is trying to contact the roofer who will be fixing the roof. Ceiling tiles are falling, but the construction is such that they will not fall any farther.

Trash pickup: There are two trucks that need access for pickup, one for trash and one for recyclables. Because parked cars can make the cans inaccessible, we may need to install "No Parking" signs so there will be an open lane for the trucks. The truck drivers have not complained about access, however.

RECURRING BUSINESS:

Holiday party: The flyer will be the same except for a few edits, including substituting Debbie's name for chairperson, assisted by Mary, and the correct hours. This year's party hours are: social from 11:30 to 12:00, lunch at noon, and bridge at 1:45. Jerry will send timeline, logistics, and other information to Debbie and Mary. Alan Hedegard will be director for the game. Scott Hanham will get the ACBL sanction. We still need a partnership chairperson.

Sectional: Debbie Davis

Debbie is working with Ewan Eby on the upcoming sectional. They have started the markup of the flyer, which the board will need to approve at the next meeting. Susan suggested an event for newer players, possibly a 0-99 event. Players who have 100 or more points would play in the open category. $2/3^{rd}$ of our unit players have less than 500 mp. Almost ½ of our NLM have less than 100 mp. We could try this as an experiment to see if we can increase the attendance of newer players. The goal is to encourage new players. Also suggested by the 2017 DIC was an event for high-level players, players with more than 2500 mp. We have only a few high-point players and many low-point players.

Goodwill: James Pond

We have one new life master; also, Richard Pabst has just exceeded the silver master level.

Membership: Susan Mazzei

We have one new member, two transfers in, and three transfers out. Some members have not renewed their membership in the American Contract Bridge League (ACBL), and they are getting a second notice to pay. If their membership lapses, they will not get points for playing; when they pay and are reinstated, they will get their points. We can rely on ACBL to follow through, so it is not necessary that we contact the members.

Education: Debbie Davis

We have no education chair as yet, and Debbie cited the difficulty in obtaining replacements when someone leaves a position. She suggested a new policy asking people to find their own replacement when they leave a position. She said we may want to consider asking Lyde McReynolds to be Education chair, since she has held the position in the past. The Education chair coordinates for our unit with people who do the education. One example is organizing the pro-am game. The chair also can do outreach at the district and national levels. Some funds are available to assist members going to tournaments. Debbie has purchased a HANDZ bridge game (designed to teach newcomers how to play bridge quickly) and provided to Bill Cohen to use in his efforts w/ the Boys & Girls Club bridge lessons.

District 21 report: Debbie Davis

Debbie revamped nomination papers for the unit's District goodwill nomination, making them more pertinent in highlighting their efforts in recruiting and retaining new players. Richard Pabst will be our new district representative and will be voting at District meetings starting at the January meeting during the Monterey Clam Bake. He may be willing to write the district report-Debbie to check with him.

OLD BUSINESS: Debbie Davis

Unit and North American Pairs (NAP) games update: Debbie will be the director for the game. We need five tables in order to have a life master game, and we have

enough pairs for the game. The game will take place on October 22, 2017, at 1:00 pm. Hollister players will be coming here.

Club owner contract update: Debbie Davis

Debbie made changes to the boiler-plate contract in regard to what is expected of directors. The present situation is that some directors are not complying with expectations. Debbie hopes to have a draft document ready for review in January, 2018. She would like to present the final contract to directors in February, 2018.

Zero tolerance policy: Debbie Davis

The update of the zero tolerance policy for our unit is on the back burner. Mary noted that cards reflecting the policy that will be in the bidding boxes would have been useful at an earlier game. She will assist Debbie and Betty Jackson in preparing the policy and cards.

The use of stop cards is now a decision for individual directors. Apparently they have been used for cheating, but most misuse is a simple mistake, which can easily be made by new players.

Interview with Lyde: Scott Hanham

Posting of the interview will cost about \$50 to hang, and Scott has had two people bring up the issue. Bill recommended placing a copy in the archives, and Debbie suggested putting them in a binder so people can look through. The Unit secretary keeps the official archive. Scott is doing interviews with other members as well. Susan moved that we put all interviews in a binder and in the archive in lieu of posting. The motion was seconded by Bill, voted on, and passed.

Mounting of projector screen update: Kurt Schnebele Kurt suggested we try out the projector we have, which can be connected to a computer and used to show slides.

NEW BUSINESS: Debbie Davis

New ACBL director rules are now in effect. Debbie is ordering one copy, and she suggested we order a second. They are about \$20 each. A motion to that effect was made by Susan, seconded by Bill, voted on, and passed.

Term length for board members was discussed. Debbie noted that we need to recruit two people for a nominating committee for next year. Board members should consider who would be effective as a member of the committee and bring names to the next meeting. We need nine board members total, and five positions will be up for election. If board members leave the board before their term is over, someone will be elected to finish out their term; the person elected may run again for the vacated position. Jerry is scheduled to move out of the area in April.

ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING:

The meeting was adjourned at $5:40~\rm{pm}$. The next meeting will be Thursday, November 9, 2017, at $4:00~\rm{pm}$.

MINUTES

DATE: Thursday, November 9, 2017 at 4 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Debbie Davis: 4:10

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM: Debbie Davis, James Pond, Mary Quenette, Susan

Mazzei, Jerry Cox, Bill Breen, Kurt Schnebele, Susan Mehra

Absent: Scott Hanham, Donna Jett

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Susan Mehra

Approved as written: M/S/C Bill/Mary

TREASURER'S REPORT: Bill Breen

• We received our dues share reimbursement from ACBL of: \$1184.69

- With an eye toward the transition in Treasurer position, Bill is working with Mary to prepare the report jointly for Nov. and Dec., 2017
- Debbie said she had purchased the 2018 update of the laws for duplicate bridge and also some holiday party supplies. She will provide receipts for reimbursement.

BUILDING MANAGER'S REPORT: Kurt Schnebele

- Roof: roofer is very busy but said he would get to us before too long—hopefully sometime in December. Kurt feels we should be OK until then.
- Review of kitchen cleaning options: more research needed
- As stated in his Building Operations Report, Kurt reported that our net income for October was \$388.12. In general, expenses have gone up 11% while our income is fairly steady. We are working at a loss, but we can go on for maybe two years. We are loosing about \$1000 per year at our current rate.
- Table count was about average.
- Light replacement progress: Kurt has not been able to locate a company that has a scissor lift to reach lights. There was a discussion about replacing the fixtures with LEDs. Kurt will research.
- Drawer replacement progress: Kurt looking into getting replacements.
- Refrigerator replacement options research: Debbie says COSTCO is running a special right now—she will research it.
- Kurt has looked into having someone come and clean—Debbie suggests once a month. Kurt expects to hear from a contact soon.

RECURRING BUSINESS:

- Holiday party: Debbie met with the caterer and has moved forward on particulars. The caterer says she need to know by Nov. 22 how many meals to expect. We will need help clearing tables and preparing for game play. We will not be able to take an extra 15 minutes (until 1:45) for set-up. So far we have 9 pairs signed up and paid. Christmas decorations/favors supplies are purchased. Debbie is organizing to put them together. Last year we had about 26 tables of play.
- Sectional: Debbie: sectional is scheduled for May 18, 19, 20, 2018. No tournament director has been assigned yet. Handout is prepared: to be ready for distribution at the Clambake. Meeting in December to go over full list. Discussion about having a Swiss pairs game.
- Goodwill: James: Plaque to add name of David Maddox as new life master.
 Donna Jett has been nominated as district 21 representative to the national ACBL committee. This is a lifetime honor. Hetti Eddy is in running for the district 21 award.
- Membership: Susan Mazzei: Three new members, one reinstated and one transfer into unit. Debbie suggested we have a little packet to go out to new members. Susan Mazzei has found ideas on the ACBL website for putting together a packet.
- Education: Debbie: Mary Block has offered to do part of the education task
 —mentoring portion
- District 21 report: Debbie: Jackie Zayac is our new rep.
- Charity: Donna Jett: this is our charity time of year. Lyde assumes that the Salvation Army collection of gifts and food and adopt-a-family that she does annually will be repeated this year.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Unit and NAP game update: Debbie: NAP game went forward. Hollister wants to coordinate with us since they no longer hold those games.
- Club owner contract update: Debbie—no progress
- Zero tolerance policy update: Debbie and Mary—no progress—will work on it after the holiday party
- Term length for board members update: James, Scott, Jerry, Bill Breen, Donna—all on 2 year terms. Next election we will need to rectify to 3/3/3 cycle. Jerry and Bill will not run for re-election. James will stay for an additional year. If Scott will do that, too, it will work out.
- Binder creation for profiles (Lyde et al): Scott—deferred discussion
- Nomination Committee candidates: Debbie reported that Mary Block and Kathy Pfitzer will do it. Debbie suggested a life master be found to work with them.
- 2017 Rules of Bridge order: Debbie: Purchased Rules of Bridge 2018 for the club.
- Board member non-attendance: Debbie: deferred
- Cleaning support from students (bridge learners young and old): Debbie: deferred

NEW BUSINESS:

- ACBL Unit Board update: Jackie Zayak is our new representative
 ACBL National Goodwill Committee appointee: Donna Jett

ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING: No December 2017 meeting. Next meeting will be Thursday, Jan. 11, 2018 at 4 p.m.

Unit 530 Board of Directors No Meeting Held this Month

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