

MONTEREY BRIDGE CLUB
ACBL UNIT 530
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Minutes

DATE: Thursday, September 13, 2018 at 4:10 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM: Present were Susan Mazzei, Scott Hanham, Mary Quenette, James Pond, Fran Soskins, Bill Cohen, Trulee Ricketts, Laura Gherman, Susan Mehra

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Approved as written M/S/C Scott/Laura

Visitor: Allen Hedegard asked to address the board: Allen requested that he be sent the meeting agenda and minutes of the prior meeting in advance of board meetings. Allen said he held unit 530 club games for players to qualify for this year's North American Pairs finals. Since our unit did not hold finals games this year, qualifying players would have to seek out games in other units. Allen would like to see Unit 530 hold a unit final game next year and has volunteered to organize it. In a subsequent discussion the board asked Scott to find out if we can get approval for a unit finals game from ACBL even though the deadline for requesting the game has passed. The game would need to be scheduled in October or November of this year.

BUILDING MANAGER'S REPORT: Kurt Schnebele absent from meeting: sent in his report

- Monthly Building Operations report: there was a discussion about how our accounting methods are currently reported and suggestions were made about different ways to handle accounting. Mary said she would be addressing this issue.
- Discussion re current/future issues related to our building. Scott had ceiling tiles tested—results are no asbestos in the tiles. As a result, the board hopes to begin the process of changing ceiling lights. Lyde will organize this activity. She plans to put in one new set of LED lights to see if this type of lighting will be effective in our building.
- We have hired a new building manager named Maja (no last name). She is a club member and life master. Starting this month she begins a month of training with Kurt. Maja will take over the building operations job in mid October. We will be paying them both for the month of transition. As Maja begins the job she will be working with Mary to coordinate reporting of finances.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mary Quenette

- Monthly report: approved M/S/C Fran/ Scott

- Update: transfer of Unit 530 accounts to Wells Fargo is complete: we currently have \$51,828.68 in our account.

BOARD REPORTS

- Goodwill: James Pond—Some deaths of family members for some of our members--James has sent cards. Discussion of Annual District 21 Goodwill Awards—do we have anyone to nominate this year. James will make recommendations at our next meeting. Ewan Eby was suggested as a good candidate.
- Membership: Fran Soskins reported that we have no new members, 4 from the past reinstated and 3 transferred out. Fran brought up idea that we create a flyer for the Post Office to include in the packet that is distributed to people who have a change of address. This could be a good way to recruit new members who move to the area. Fran will look into it further.
- Education: no report
- District 21 report: Richard Papst & Susan Mazzei: Richard Papst attended current meeting and sent board members a report. It was noted that we can have up to 6 NLM sectionals per year. In addition, this coming year (Nov. 2019) the NABC tournament will be held in San Francisco. As a unit we will be required to provide 25 people to help out on one of the days.
- Hospitality: Donna Jett: no report

RECURRING EVENTS:

- Sectionals: Bill handed out a form to collect sectional sponsors @ \$100 each (could be in honor of a family member, etc.): doing this through the Monterey Bridge Education Foundation. Names should be turned in by next board meeting or emailed to Bill in advance.
- Unit 530 Pro-Am game: was well attended. We made approx. \$377 after expenses (though we need to transfer \$100 to the building fund).
- NAP games (North American Pairs): no report
- Clambake: no report
- Holiday party: Bill gave us the name of a delivery man who would transport food if we need delivery. Mary will contact Elks Club to cancel our date and to get back our \$250 deposit.
- General meeting and election of new board members: discussion about how we solicit new board members. Bill suggested choosing names off of our member roster, somewhat like Jury duty. Scott suggested handing off this discussion to the nominating committee.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Club owner contract update: no report
- Unit 530 insurance coverage update: established that insurance bills will be sent to Mary's email and address until we open a unit 530 P.O. Box . Discussion: three games that appear on our website are not held at the Unit Bridge club location. Bill reported that we should extend our insurance coverage to those sites as we could be held financially liable for any incidents

that might occur. The cost of the coverage would \$187 per year per site. Motion to add this coverage to our current policy: moved Scott/Mary; approved: Susan Mazzei, Susan Mehra, Mary, Scott, Trulee, Bill; abstention Fran; opposed Laura, absent James. Motion carried.

- Building issues: Discussion about pros and cons of talking to City of Marina right now about ownership of our building and/or the land it is on. At our last board meeting Bill had offered to talk to the City of Marina about possible changes. The board approved this action. However, subsequent to the meeting, Scott talked with Bill about his reservations about talking to the City of Marina at this point. Bill agreed to discuss the issue again at the current meeting. Now that we know the ceiling tiles are asbestos free, there is no urgency about possibly vacating the building and we can proceed with building repairs. The board discussed the possible disadvantages of bringing up property issues with the City of Marina. Motion to rescind approval from last month's board meeting of having Bill talk with the city: moved Susan Mehra/Mary; approved Susan Mazzei, Scott, Susan Mehra, Mary, Fran, Trulee; abstention Laura; opposed Bill, absent James. Motion carried.
- Unit 530 Facebook page: no report
- Unit zero tolerance policy: no report
- Fran suggests that we alert our unit members when there is a scheduled burn on Ft. Ord property. It was suggested we could send out an email blast to players who are scheduled for that day.

ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING: Meeting adjourned 6:45. Next meeting Thursday, October 11, 2018 at 4 p.m. at the bridge center.