

ACBL Unit 143 Board Meeting Minutes, May 11, 2022

Location: The meeting was conducted on-line using ZOOM.

Attendees: Dennis Abeln, Mark Boswell, Don Chase, Maureen Curran, Terry D'Amato, Diane Deutch, Ken Obrecht, Jan Potts, John Welte, Kelly White

Absent: Mark Zellmer

The meeting was called to order by President John Welte at 7:03pm. Ten board members were in attendance, satisfying quorum requirements of six.

The minutes from the April board meeting were approved as submitted.

The treasurer's report was approved as submitted.

May Sectional

John led a discussion of plans for the May Sectional.

Kelly said he would not be in town for Friday or Saturday to collect funds from the directors. John agreed to cover that.

Mike said Blanchette staff and the directors do set-up. No board member support needed.

Mike reported arrangements for getting the tables and bidding boxes delivered have been made.

Mark Boswell will help set out the bidding boxes.

John and Dennis have collected 15 sets of boards from storage at the Bridge Center. Those boards are currently stored at John's house. John and Dennis will transport the boards to/from Blanchette. Mike will ask Peter Wilke how many sets of boards will be needed.

Dennis reported the tires on the Unit's dolly don't hold air and requested approval to spend up to \$50 to replace them. The expense was approved without objection.

Maureen should get cash funds to pay the caddies directly from the directors.

Don reported getting a 25% positive response on the letters he sent to advanced players asking them to participate in the sectional.

August Regional

John led a discussion on plans for the August Regional.

Mike reported that Renaissance came back with an 'addendum' which reduced the minimum number of hotel rooms and hospitality expenditures by half, and also changed

the number of free room nights to one per 40 room nights reserved and paid. Mike has asked the hotel to reconsider the free room offering.

The game schedule has not been finalized. Starting point is the 2019 Regional. Mike has asked Peter Wilke the lead director for comments on the 2019 schedule. Some discussion on dropping evening games which have not been well attended in the past.

Advertising will not be placed in the Bridge Bulletin as per decision of Mike and John. The money will be better spent on email blasts. Kelly will look into costs of Pianola email blasts.

The next board meeting will be June 8.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58pm.

Submitted by Secretary Dennis Abeln June 6, 2022.