



MINUTES - DENVER UNIT 361

Denver House of Cards – February 5, 2012

President Ruth Pana called the meeting to order. Attending were Board Members Tom Burger, Carol Levinson, Shelbie Bastiaans, Blair Young, Nancy Rainwater, Sherry Levitt, Jim Calhoun and Don Heitler. Also present was legal rep Forrest Clark.

Minutes for the January meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report: Don Heitler presented a preliminary report for the January Sectional. There was a profit of \$1,136.24. A discussion was then brought up about the free plays, which, in the past, have been ascribed to the sectional. It was decided to continue to do this in the future. There has been approximately \$2,000 received from the ACBL for membership. Financial commitments with Jim Calhoun have been satisfied and checks were issued for payment. The treasurer's report was approved.

Sectional Tournament: We use pre-duplicated boards, that are not our boards, at the tournament. Some of these cards are old and dirty. All of our boards contain new cards. Ruth will look into this situation with Bob and we will have further discussion as to a solution.

Hospitality: We will put a thank you in our new directory to Celestial Catering, Sloppy Joe's and Blair's Pizza for the food supplied to our tournaments.

Jefferson County is negotiating a contract with Pepsi and Pepsi products, which they will supply to us on a rated basis. We will have to check for the March sectional to see what changes and charges this will mean to us. We will also ask to see the contract Jeffco signs with Pepsi. We will endeavor to leave the facility on time on Friday and Saturday, to avoid late charges (\$100) after 10:30 p.m.

Caddies: Blair needs an extra caddy for Thursday night. Most of the caddies have already received their assignments. Blair requested an increase in the caddy budget to \$560. A motion was passed approving the increase.

Partnerships: One person has requested a partner for the March sectional. Also a request for a partner at the regional has been forwarded to Jim Calhoun

Photography: Tom Burger will take the pictures of the winners at the sectional tournament. Tom sent the pictures taken at the January sectional to Carolyn Newcomb to be placed on the website.

Membership: Shelbie has requested a new budget of \$800 for the year, which was

approved by the board. She is planning to make personal contact with new members. Shelbie and Ruth have looked at metal badges, to be presented to members of Unit 361m upon achieving a new level. Prices for these badges will be presented at the next meeting.

I/N Tournament: The tournament has been scheduled for Easter weekend. We are looking for alternative facilities to hold the tournament, so we can change the dates. We may have to send out a corrected flyer.

Education: Jim reported that Hackberry Hill School in Jefferson County School System, will be starting bridge classes in April, and will allow the school to teach bridge through the summer at \$20 per month.

Directory: All the ads in the directory have been approved. We should have them to hand out at the March tournament.

Front Range Challenge: Aurora Association of Realtors may be available to use as a facility for the challenge in October. They will contact Sherry with an update.

New Business: The Coopers are leaving our district. This poses problems since they edit the unit newspaper. Forrest Clark stated this may mean our district may not have proper representation. He will speak with Carolyn Newcomb about this issue.

The Colorado Victory Trophy was awarded to Peggy Ware and Spencer Jones. Flyers for the March sectional were sent out.

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be held on Monday, March 5, 2012, at Denver House of Cards at 5:00 p.m.

Respectively submitted,
Carol Levinson