

June 2017 Minutes of Board Meeting Unit 361

Date: June 3, 2017

Location: House of Cards

Time: 10:00

Attendees: Margaret Devere, Rick Gardner, Vard Nelson, Nancy Rassbach, Wayne Eckerling, Pam Root, Dianne Vanoss, Bob Stansbury, Tom West
District 17 Representative: Jennifer O'Neil, Jerry Ranney
Legal Counsel: Forest Clark

The meeting was called to order by President Margaret Devere.
May minutes approved with corrections.

Minutes:

Financial Report No discussion
Action Items Review None

Regional Review

Financial:

- Is a work in progress, more data to come: Cowboy expense, ancillary receipts, D-17 subsidies
- Attendance and table count were down from 2016
- D-17 picked up the Western Conference fee
- District sanction fee was increased
- Charity was Denver Hospice. \$402 was earned. Motion made, seconded and approved to round up the donation to \$500

Caddies

- Scheduling challenges, especially in rooms playing Swiss teams
- Review of use of rooms for efficiency will be done
- Caddy aprons missing
- Head Caddy went above and beyond her

duties

Pro-Am

- 18-20 no shows in the Ams; consequently Pros without a match were given free plays
- will consider using gmail pre-registration in future
- will increase communication/reminders
- confusion regarding 0-5 free
- complaints about pro attitude
- some prizes were not collected; consider a set of lessons as a prize

Hotel

- some chairs were unstable. Hotel in process of replacement so will be corrected for 2018
- will ask for stairwell painting to be scheduled outside of tournament dates
- coffee not available during late afternoon
- lunch buffet was excellent and efficient
- coupons were well-accepted. Distribution will be improved with different denominations printed in different colors
- photography went well. Pictures posted on partnership desk. Need poster for Photograph

Miscellaneous

- will not use Fast Results as it is redundant.
- In 2018 planning sessions consider Daily Bulletin in print v. digital. There were many leftover copies
- Ask Me ribbons worked well
- Flyer design needs a champion to update with an eye toward improved marketing. Should include definition of events that qualify for trophies
- Bidding cards need to be up-graded. Will be observed at sectional and have replacements available
- Will have PA system for Friday and Saturday. Will make sure it can be heard from all areas of the building
- Will have Help Desk on Friday and Saturday using the same schedule as previously
- Friday night Swiss will be announced
- Pam has improved the process for purchasing meal tickets. She will sell tickets adjacent to the registration desk
- Margaret asked that we have snacks

July Sectional

delivered by caddies and that the hospitality budget be fully used

- Status of email to Bill Michael remains in limbo

Chair Reports

Wayne

- Planning for I/N in July and August
- Date for October has been revised to October 6&7 to prevent conflict with Colorado Springs Regional
- Coaching feedback has been generally positive. Some coaches have expressed that we need more remedial experience at the club level regarding duplicate play
- Coupon incentives for the I/N will be distributed at July Sectional

Margaret

- Discussion of Jeffco contract issues. Contracts in place for 2018. Concern regarding advanced deposits and certificate of liability
- Table Talk is due to be published. Consider focus on 299ers with human interest interviews and possibly a 299er column

Nancy

- Nominating Committee needs candidate slate by September 30

Pam

- Front Range Challenge criteria for player selection will be decided by Colorado Springs

Tom

- Will send information out in the Fall. Inclusion in the directory will be based on ACBL registration. There are liability concerns related to written permission to include personal information in the directory
- Participation in Western Conference will be discussed and decided upon at the Las Vegas meeting

D17 Report

Action Items

Bob

- Have bidding replacement cards available at sectional
- Extend tournament schedule through 2022

Wayne

- Change date for 2019 Spring I/N tournament

Jim

- Trophies and awards for July Sectional

Margaret • Recruit experts for Help Desk.
Rick volunteered
All Help with publication of Table Talk:
articles, etc.

The next meeting will be July 1, 2017 at Denver Metro.

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne Vanoss
Secretary, Unit 361

