

October 21, 2007

Unit 499 Board of Directors Meeting

Attendees

Lee Pesavento, Keith Gunn, Mike Harding, Dennis Dunn, Angie Murray, Bud Miller, Chris Galbraith and Jeremy Huie attended.

The meeting was called to order by Lee at 10:45 and, recognizing that at that point we were short of a quorum, was begun as an informal discussion.

The first item was whether and how to subsidize the teachers in the unit's area. At issue is to what degree we should be helping them out for the furtherance of the game in general versus pinning aid to their getting new ACBL members. No action to be taken at this time.

Minutes

Lee asked that the last meeting's minutes be clarified: we are *not* counting on Rossmoor's hosting 5 unit games in 2008. It was simply noted that they did so in 2007.

Financials

Lee presented Brian's latest recap in his absence. With some minor bills outstanding, our balance remains slightly over \$20,000. We expect this to increase after the Iron Horse sectional and drop again as we fund the holiday party.

Lee also presented a proposal for renegotiating our agreement with Ron on unit game financials. Lacking a quorum, this was tabled.

Holiday Party

A discussion was begun regarding this year's holiday party and whether the unit would underwrite it totally as in past years. Also, Lee proposed that we hold a short board meeting just before the event to welcome the new members and elect 2008 officers. At this point our eighth board member arrived, and now having a quorum, both items were voted on and approved.

New Phone Books

Jeremy reported that the new phone books were done and he expects to begin distributing them by next weekend (10/27).

Declarer Future

All agreed this was a subject to be tackled by the new board.

Nationals

Bud reported that he and Dick will be calling volunteers for final confirmation of their availability. He also had some information on BART parking which will be disseminated.

Good Will Nominee

Lee suggested and the board agreed that Keith will be our nominee for a district Good Will award this year. Lee (having an in with the district's good will chair) will write the letter of nomination.

Iron Horse Sectional

Dennis reported that at this point he has no caddies lined up, but has several contacts for arranging for some. He assured the board that he and Kimberly will have it covered in time. Setup will commence at 8AM on Saturday morning, for those who have or would like to volunteer to assist.

Publicity

There was a short discussion of producing flyers for every unit game, our sectionals and the holiday party. It was noted that the sectionals are already well covered.

Recruiting

Chris reported that last month's pro-am Swiss event was a success, with 8 tables. He anticipates holding another pro-am event, a pairs game, in January.

The meeting was adjourned at 1157, following a brief report on the phone directory and mailing labels, plus a restatement that teacher subsidies or kickbacks should be on the new board's agenda early on.

The next meeting will be December 16, 2007, just before the holiday party, and will include the newly-elected board members.