

The next Board meeting will be July 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:15am at Rossmoor

## **June 21, 2009 Unit 499 Board of Directors Meeting**

### **Attendees:**

Iris Libby, Bill George, Brian Eisenberg , Millie Sherman , Vernita Davidson, Pat George , Sharon Tarpinian, Dick Mayer, Grant Robinson, Judy Keilin and Keith Gunn. Rosalind Juo, Bob Collins, Bud Miller and Dan Friedman were absent.

President Iris Libby called the meeting to order at 11:30am, and began by reading a letter of intent from Ron Olswang regarding the future of TBC. From 1997 thru 2007, he had 5 year lease agreements. Since 2008, he has had a yearly rental lease. In June 2009 he renewed his year lease. What happens after June 2010 depends on a transfer of ownership or success of the current games. Ron will be traveling more and needs directors to run the games.

### **Minutes:**

The May minutes were approved via e-mail and posted on the web and at TBC.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Income includes about \$200 per month in new ACBL membership fees and between \$5 and \$10 in interest income. Expenses include \$3 per unit member Unit game fee subsidy ( up to \$120) and between \$30 and \$70 for Unit game food supplies.

### **Webmaster:**

Bill reported that new pictures of the 2009 Unit 499 Board has been posted and that an Intermediate/Novice section will be added to our website.

Bill also reported that he is preparing a submission letter for unit 499's nominee for the National Goodwill award.

### **Membership:**

Sharon reported that there were 3 new members and 4 transfers into our unit in May. There were 768 members in April and 771 in May. Sharon sends letters of welcome to our new members and includes the Unit 499 web address.

### **New Member Recruitment:**

Judy passed out a flyer concerning an education program for bridge teaching in the San Francisco schools. She will form a committee to look into the possibilities on starting one in our area. Vernita volunteered to help and the board suggested that Judy ask Dan to help too because of his interest in the school program.

Grant spoke about the mentoring program. There will be an announcement in the Forum and a letter and posters to all club managers and teachers in our unit. E-mail addresses will

be posted on the website. The commitment was changed from 6 months to 3 months. After a mentor or mentoree signs up they will be sent a questionnaire and packet of protocol for the program. Grant and his committee will match mentors and mentorees, with priority going to the lowest mentorees first.

## **Discussions and Motions:**

It was discussed that the Mentoring program and the Partnership program cannot be merged. The Partnership program is an individual club event and much less structured than the Mentoring program. We would, however, support both but we are in need of a written proposal from the Partnership program. Iris will ask for a written proposal from the parties involved.

Grant and Brian reported on the 2 meetings they held about our Unit paying for ½ of the dealing machine equipment. Ron and Judy were approached because they are the directors of the most games and would have more use for pre-dealt hands with hand records. Judy was supportive of hand records, but since she is hired by Rossmoor to run the games, it would be their decision whether to buy the dealing machine or not. Brian will meet with the Rossmoor board. Ron was in favor of the idea. A committee will need to draft a letter of understanding concerning the ownership of the dealing machines. There may need to be a stipulation that the machine can't leave the unit for 3 years and also making it available to the smaller clubs. Printing of hand records could be done at Staples or Office Max where the Unit receives an ACBL discount, rather than purchasing a new printer.

## **Hospitality:**

Vernita passed out a list of remaining Unit games for 2009 with proposed recommendations about food at Rossmoor. She proposed that the unit will pay for food at all Sunday games ( TBC and Rossmoor) and a nominal amount to other smaller locations, but will not pay for food at evening or weekday unit games held at Rossmoor or the Bridge club. Her idea was to provide one large game in the Unit once a month - with a \$4 bridge fee and refreshments. She also proposed that the Unit support a Friday night Potluck at TBC with a maximum budget of \$100. No decisions were finalized. Angie and Vernita will meet with the Rossmoor board and report back to us via e-mail for a decision on the July Unit game at Rossmoor.

Bill will talk to David Terris about scheduling a Pro/Am Unit game.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Millie Sherman, secretary