

Anchorage Bridge Center, ACBL Unit 425
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
December 10, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order at 6:00 PM on December 10, 2018.

Present were board members: Shannon Jones, Greg Svenson, Julie Guerard, Linda Thies, Marion Kelly, Catherine Dwinnel, Kathie Hoehne, Duff Pfanner, Lynne Smith, Mark Desinger, Mark Rindner, Tamara Phillips & Tim Marx. Club Manager Michael Schmahl was present.
Board members not present Frank Wallis, & Steve Tucker.

New Board and Newly Elected Officers: Mark Rindner (President), Lynne Smith (Vice President), Tim Marx (Treasurer), Linda Thies (Secretary), Greg Svendsen; Mark Desinger, Catherine Dwinnel, Frank Wallis, Duff Pfanner, Tamara Phillips & Julie Guerard. Thank you to all the outgoing board members.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Shannon motioned to approve the November minutes and it was seconded by Tim. Vote passed.

CLUB MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Table counts are down.
2. Mike is in the process of updating ACBL Score. The new booklets with Member names, numbers and addresses will be revamped without addresses and will be distributed in January. He will also be removing addresses from our website.
3. The Thursday evening game will be on hold until after February as Mike will not be available.

TREASURER'S REPORT

1. Tim presented the Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statements. The Balance sheet is reflecting a \$7,500 loss. Greg spoke about losing money at this rate would bankrupt the club fairly quickly. He made a motion to increase table fees by \$1 starting in January. Duff seconded the motion and the vote passed.
2. Tim made a motion to lower the Sunday fee back to \$5. A discussion took place about the finances of the club and Tim withdrew the motion to be revisited at a later date.
3. Suggestions to increase table counts ranged from:
 1. Talking to party bridge groups about playing contract bridge. Inviting party bridge groups to play at our club at a lower fee or for free at first.
 2. Advertising in the paper/and or radio.
 3. Promoting/organizing the mentor program. Julie to visit after the first of the year. Mike to send out mass email using Constant Contact.
 4. Getting the media involved with interesting things happening at the club. For example, the Alaska Team of Kelly, Rais, Ottley and Scott who won the Team Championship Game in Hawaii.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Tim said the purchase of 2 TCD's from Alaska USA has been finalized and is reflected on the Balance Sheet. 2 - 5 year Time Certificates were purchased-one for \$10K and one for \$15K.
2. Kathie did a nice workup of Board Election Procedures. The procedure should be located on our website and brought out for review by September each year before the elections.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Holiday NO GAMES days and Parties: Holiday closures are as follows-Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Day. Due to the lateness of the month, a motion to eliminate the Club Christmas party (for 2018 only) was made and vote passed to be replaced by a New Year's Eve party. The club to donate a turkey and ham. Members to bring side dishes.
2. Shannon reminded everyone about the Food Bank Donations. Place the food under the tree and/or donate money to the food bank and Shannon will collect the checks or cash.

3. Need to address what we are doing for the Cabin Fever Tournament at the next board meeting. We should also discuss the bullet points so things do not get left out especially since there are new board members. I.e. Chair person, sign-up sheets, partnership chair, clean-up Volunteer list, 50/50 tickets, & closing Party Team.
4. Lynne would like a more detailed analysis of the finances.
5. Lynne would like another discussion regarding the Thursday Evening game and the mentor program.

January Board Meeting is scheduled for January 14, 2019, at 6:00 PM.

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved to adjourn and seconded. The meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM.