CENTRAL CAROLINA BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING January 5, 2019

Members Present: Don Folger, Brenda Garzia, Judy Hellen, John Lamanna, Ron Matamoros, Debbie Monroe, Tim Stecker, Kathryn Morris, Kent Leggett, Jeannie Leggett, Cindy Wright, Tom Skaar, Carol Elkins-Bachl, Claudia Hale and Dixie Culver

Also Attending: Ray Murphy, Tim Lafferty and Harold Sparks

Member Absent:

Old Business:

- 1. Debbie Monroe opened the meeting welcoming everyone and discussed her goals for the meeting.
- 2. Minutes of the November 17, 2018 board meeting were approved. Ron Matamoros made a motion, Dixie Culver second was made and passed by all.
- 3. Dixie Culver spoke regarding the financial statements as of November as discussed at the end of the year Unit game and for month ending December 31, 2018. As of December 31, 2018, CCBA had \$14282.49 in the checking account and \$10,275.83 in 2 certificates of deposit. This is approximately \$1,200 more than a year ago. The reason is due to a profit of almost \$3K at the WS Sectional and prepayments for the Non-Life Master Regional and GSO Sectional.
- 4. Debbie Monroe asked about the Unit game economics. Dixie Culver referred the group to the printout and indicated the Unit Game is just below prior year tables. The primary reasons for the loss in the last 12 months were (1)the Christmas party, (2) the free Alzheimer's game, (3) the free Mentoring game and (4) lower average attendance at the unit games. The primary reason is because we charged the normal \$8 game fee. In addition, the cancellation of the October 13 game due to a power outage from the tropical storm/hurricane. Variances were partially offset by charging \$8/game and last year charging \$5 per person for the Holiday party. This past month Christmas game was a much smaller loss of only \$603. We are seeing attendance starting to stabilize. Dixie explained that she just received expense reports from Brenda and would receive more this week and our current loss of \$116.51 will increase by about \$400 in expenses to \$561.51 this is just under the loss from this time last year.
- 5. Debbie asked Cindy for a review of the Christmas Party. Cindy indicated she has this down to a science and has perfected what to order and that we should continue. She indicated some people do not like the caterer and she explained how easy and reasonable the caterer is to work with and would like to continue. Ron Matamoris asked if he had purchase the correct amount of soda and was told we had several left over and would use them for the unit games. Debbie asked about the presentation and Tom Skaar let us know how difficult it was to hear Dixie even though she was on a microphone. Dixie explained that it would be very easy to have a power point presentation next year and this would go on during the social lunch time and we would only have to say a few words during the presentation. Everyone agreed that no one really wants to hear us speak.

- 6. Debbie asked Claudia and Cindy for an update on the Triad NLM Regional/2019 Sectional. They discussed that they went to Lisa Rentals and sat in the chairs and decided on the same chair plus the chair pad. The question was asked that if someone was short and thought the seats were too tall this past year what would short people do now that there is a seat pad. The unanimous decision was to remove the pad. There was concern if we have a larger number than expected turn out we could have an issue with additional chair rentals. Cindy felt that South Fork Rec Center would gladly allow us to use some of their table (some are Cindy's) and chairs. Cindy will confirm with them since she will not be holding games during the NLM Regional/Sectional this will be plan B, just in case. Ron, Tom and Kent have offered to help with logistics and Debbie indicated she will be having Harold Sparks picking up tables at different locations and delivering them hopefully on Wednesday prior to the start of play on Thursday. Harold will also assist with janitorial duties during the tournament along with Kelly helping in the kitchen as she has in the past. Cindy Wright reported that she and Claudia have been working diligently on the upcoming tournament they ordered some supplies and had decided not to order pins/stickers for the tournament due to the cost. Dixie asked if we could possibly have a sponsor offset the cost since most regional tournaments have these and even though she doesn't care for them many people love to add them to their collection. Tom Skaar thought it would be a great idea and we would speak about this at a later time. Claudia had an update on the hotel which now has 26 rooms reserved. Everyone thought this was a good sign and indicator of a good turn-out. Cindy asked about a white board which was requested by Jerry Helms. Debbie asked about a food chair and Claudia and Cindy went indicated they do not think it is necessary due to having Kelly. They plan on a hot dog lunch on Thursday and to have food trucks on Friday. Kent mentioned having Porter House Burgers and Ron mentioned Ap State hot dog truck is fabulous. Cindy will work on lining up the food trucks. Brenda volunteered to pass around sign up food sheets in the GSO games, only to sign up to bring food because she asks for money for the GSO tournament. Tom volunteered to purchase the drinks and it was decided to purchase 100 2 liter bottles. Most of which to be diet coke and a few to be sprite and regular coke with a couple of diet dr peppers and dr peppers. Tom questioned having a sound system due to hearing difficulties. Cindy has one microphone/speaker and Gloria has the unit's microphone/speaker. Kathy Dwyer had agreed to help with prizes and will have those locked up in one of the adjoining rooms. Mary Ledger and Susan Wesley will handle Partnerships. Cindy will check with Brian Kitley from HPU and check about the time we can set up tables hopefully, on Wednesday. Debbie also mentioned speaking to the directors to make sure they arrive early enough to set up. Carol Bachl agreed to promote JLM/Sectional in Salisbury.
- 7. Debbie informed everyone that she will be having a table repair get together at her house and have wine. It will be a few weeks and we will receive an email.
- 8. Debbie spoke about needing an Alzheimer's Champion and a Mentoring Champion along with a Nominating Chair for next year's board members. Dixie said she had already asked Fran Tewkesbury to Champion Alzheimer and had Bob email her with details. Also, Dixie agreed to head up the nominating committee along with a few others that will be coming off the board.

New Business:

- Debbie spoke about the Unit Championship award that Tim Stecker will be handling. Tim was going
 to get together with Gloria about the best way to calculate the points and keep track of those points.
 Dixie brought ACBL website and the information she has the ability to access and offered assistant if
 needed.
- 2. Dixie mentioned a phone call she received about getting help from board members to take out the trash at GA Taylor and to help Gloria in and out of her car since she has allot of gear. She mentioned a

complaint she received about the time Gloria arrives to run the game and asked what the board felt an appropriate time would be to discuss with Gloria for her future arrival. It was unanimous that she be starting to set up at very least one hour before the game. Don Folger mentioned the amount we pay GA Taylor is very high at \$120 per game plus \$1 per person and we should ask them to take out the trash and help more. Cindy and Brenda mentioned how nice and helpful the lady at GA Taylor is because Brenda, Elaine and Gloria are usually late leaving. Debbie asked Dixie to call GA Taylor and discuss this and asked the board to assist Gloria in and out. Debbie and Dixie will speak to Gloria regarding arrival time.

3. Debbie thanked everyone for their hard work and adjourned the meeting at about 12:00.

Respectfully submitted, Dixie Culver, Secretary-Treasurer

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