

CENTRAL CAROLINA BRIDGE ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
May 11, 2019

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

Also Attending: Bruce Southard, Ray Murphy

Member Absent: Carol Elkins-Bachl and Tom Skaar

Old Business:

1. Debbie Monroe opened the meeting welcoming everyone and discussed her goals for the meeting starting the meeting at 10:47.
 - Election of Officers
 - GSO Tournament Logistics
 - NLM Tournament – What to do with the money
 - New Member Efforts – Funding
 - Zero Tolerance Update
2. Minutes of the March 30, 2019 board meeting were approved. Ron Matamoros made the motion Claudia Hale seconded and passed by all.
3. Dixie gave an overview of the FS handed out and the current financial position with cash of \$30,689.40 and CD's of \$10,275.83 and increase from this time last year which was at \$24,558.32 The YTD change in the bank account was a positive \$14,282.09. Debbie asked about the final profit and loss for the NLM/HP Sectional. Dixie reviewed the most current sheet included in the board packet with the Revenue as \$11,266.78. Debbie also asked about the unit game summary. Dixie indicated she would email the summary since it was not printed in the board packet this meeting. We are at this time very similar to last year's numbers. We will increase since we have the Mentor-Mentee game which we do not charge members and the Longest Day of the Year Alzheimer's game. She went on to indicate the average number of tables is approximately 18 at this time. Again, this is due to having the Christmas event, Mentor-Mentee event. We will see a drop in the summer months and additional expense in the Longest Day game. Having charged for the Christmas event will hopefully offset the overall loss for holding the unit games.
4. Dixie also, informed the board of the efforts to update the financial reporting by using accounting software and the active search for a new bank that has software to integrate into the software.
5. Debbie asked Dixie to discuss the slate of officers for vote. Dixie indicated that many of our current board members had agreed to stay on the board. Debbie Monroe will stay and take Don Folger's place as Past President. Cindy Wright agreed to continue as 2nd VP of Membership, Judy agreed to assist with Membership, Tom Skaar agreed to become the 1st VP replacing Kent Leggett, Ron Matamoros agreed to become President and we are fortunate to have Cathy Tomlinson and Jim Bean as new members to the board. In addition, Don Gattalaro will continue in his current role. Dixie made a motion to elect the new board. Ron seconded and the new board was voted in for the 2019-2020 year.

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2. Cindy asked about being Goodwill Ambassador and Debbie and Dixie explained that they were contacted by Lee Webb who had old contact information. They researched past Ambassadors and asked the board for a vote since our unit was late in getting the information to her.
3. Debbie asked Claudia for an update on the logistics of the upcoming GSO Sectional. Greensboro will provide 58 tables from Debbie's house, Peter's game and Lewis Center. Harold will transport all but about 8 tables which Ed Turner will bring from WS. Harold will assist with the setup and Bur-Mil has a staff person who will also assist during the tournament. Claudia has ordered sandwiches which went over well at the HP Sect/NLM Regional and we will sell those for \$5. Dixie will help to collect money. Claudia has additional lights to help in the room which was dim last year. She will also bring the bridge signs for parking. Board members were asked to bring extension cords, Claudia will pick up sandwiches on Thursday and store in the large refrigerator at Bur-Mil. Claudia will handle the insurance certificate for all 3 tournaments later today.

4. Debbie handed out a copy of a letter from Rich Peiffer who came to speak to the last board regarding his new game and a push by Rich to help build membership. Rich with Judy's assistance has a NPS New Player Support Group. This is a group of seasoned players who will help in the Monday 0-50 group. Judy went on to explain the hope is to have enough seasoned players to volunteer once every couple of months. Rich's request was that we have name tags for those helping to support the new players. He is trying to give prizes to encourage participation. Keith Meinelt donated the bridge themed prizes. Rich would like to advertise in the newspaper and hopes to get additional participation through beginner lessons. Rich is also, having a beginner orientation session at the Wednesday night game. Having 1.5 to 2 tables each week and charging only a \$1 fee, and not allotting master points. Debbie asked that we try to support the efforts of Rich and a discussion about the board helping to grown membership in all cities for the unit.
5. Debbie mentioned the possibility of bringing in a speaker at a later date who would instruct members and offer this at a reasonable rate to continue building the membership. Since we made money from the NLM Regional it would be good to help improve the skill level of new players and all non life master players. Tim, Cindy, Dixie and Cathy Tomlinson will serve as a committee to make suggestions as to how to invest in our unit and grow our membership.
6. Bruce Southard our Recorder came in to discuss the Zero Tolerance Policy he has spoken to directors and club managers and is highly recommending. Bruce gave board members a handout he put together along with Player Memo ACBL Infraction Sheet and a Behavior Violation form to utilize in our unit. Bruce instructed the board that the directors have the ability to penalize players at their game. If you have an issue with a director you have recourse with the Club Manager which in most cases is the director. Bruce indicated he has been approached by Gloria several times regarding infractions. He is glad to have copies of all infractions from all directors even though he will not be giving penalties. His role would be to forward information to the National Recorder if someone is having similar infractions at different games in our unit. He indicated that speaking to all parties involved is important to have the entire story. He has a copy of the Zero Tolerance Policy and would like Debbie to encourage all directors to follow the policy and to be given the booklet on ZT. The last time we had an incident was at the Mentor-Mentee game, Bruce contacted the ACBL for direction as did Gloria Halstead. Bruce had a discussion with Gloria and it seems they received differing information. Cindy mentioned an incident with a psyche bid at a recent tournament and how it was handled and the ACBL does not recognize Psyche bids per say. Debbie informed the board that before every game the director needed to inform the players that the game is a "Zero Tolerance Game" and as director it will be enforced. Also, if a director does not allow "psyche" bids it would be announced at the same time. All director/Club Managers are in charge of their games. Claudia asked about how we handle body odor and or smoke or pot smell from players and members of our unit in regards to the form and new requirements. Debbie mentioned having received 5 complaints from players in the recent unit games on how they have been treated. A discussion regarding how to handle the new changes, how we should separate the director and club manager responsibilities for the unit game due to these changes and because we contract Gloria to direct the unit games. It was concluded that Bob Hale the past Secretary/Treasurer was the Club Manager and the change was made to give Dixie Culver the opportunity to learn the position prior to taking on that responsibility. Ron and Dixie have been in contact regarding the new contract for Gloria and transferring the Club Manager responsibilities to Dixie. Cindy Wright indicated it was not difficult and would assist if Dixie has questions.
7. Debbie thanked everyone for their hard work and adjourned the meeting at about 12:33.

Respectfully submitted,
Dixie Culver, Secretary-Treasurer

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