

AMERICAN CONTRACT BRIDGE LEAGUE

La Jolla Unit #526

Monthly Board Meeting - February 10, 2008

Meeting Called to Order 11:33

Members Present: Alice Leicht, Dorinda Lindvall, Cass Donovan, Diana Marquardt, David Oakley, Ed Layton, Steve Johnson, Bill Grant, Ron Ignelzi

Member Absent: Nate McCay

Minutes of January Board Meeting: Approved as submitted

Treasurer's Report: In January, game receipts were \$1110, member reimbursement added \$268, and the unit netted \$293.

Membership Report: Alice reported that she has received the Mini McKinney medals and is awaiting the Ace of Clubs certificates to be awarded at the Unit awards day in April.

May Sectional: Steve Johnson reported on proposed details for the upcoming La Jolla Sectional and handed out a preliminary flyer. The idea was presented that a light lunch could be provided between sessions on Friday and Saturday and during the Swiss play-through on Sunday. This might allow some additional player retention on the first 2 days and would obviate the need to provide constant snacks, though there would probably be some donuts or bagels in the morning. The second session could begin at 2:30PM instead of 3PM, also potentially improving retention. Jean Molnar, who will be our head director, was amenable to the time schedule. Because of conflicts with the church group that meets at the Soledad Club until 11:30, we may have to wait until at least Noon to start the Swiss.

Steve also asked Jean about the possibility of using only 2 directors, and she agreed that this could be workable, but that Scott would have to be the second director. Why this would be required will be clarified with Betty Bratcher.

The consensus from the board is that \$10/session and \$88/team for Swiss Teams would be appropriate charges, but Steve will finalize this after the financial projections are completed.

Steve will place an ad for the Sectional in the Contract Bridge Forum by the March 5 deadline. The cost is likely to be \$225, though it may be more.

The cost of printing flyers was discussed, and it is likely we need about 750 and may be able to have them done for between \$70-\$80.

There was a brief discussion of bracketing and flighting, specifically whether X should have a maximum of 3000 or 5000 or be based on team average masterpoints.

Soledad Club Issues: The Soledad Club indicated that there had been some damage to a shed in the back of the club sometime on the day of our last unit game. Although there was no indication of who did the damage or when it occurred (during the church time, between events, during or after bridge), they asked us to pay for the repairs. The Board felt that we should not be responsible for damage to the property under these vague circumstances.

The lease negotiations continue, with the Soledad Club now indicating that they want the current cleaning arrangement (where their cleaning person takes care of it) to continue. We had hoped to have coffee preparation, bridge caddying, and clean up consolidated. It was suggested that since the church group meets the same day we meet, that we should share the end-of-day cleaning cost. We will talk to the Soledad Club about this. Apparently the length of the lease is unlikely to be several years, though the terms are still being determined.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:32PM. The next board meeting will be held Sunday, March 9, 2008 at 11:30AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Diana Marquardt
Unit 526 secretary