

AMERICAN CONTRACT BRIDGE LEAGUE
La Jolla Unit #526

Monthly Board Meeting - June 8, 2008
Meeting Called to Order 11:36

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

Minutes of May Board Meeting: Approved as submitted

David thanked the Board for their service and said he did not want to be president for another term and this would be his last meeting over which he would preside.

Treasurer's Report: Dorinda \$1819.65 net gain for the sectional thus far with additional bills for refreshments and cleaning pending. We are likely to net \$1500 overall. \$ 3849.63 net positive for the month of May, partially due to some sectional expenses that were reported in the April report. A detailed treasurer's report is available online on the web site.

Membership Report: No official membership report was provided, but Bill Grant indicated that 5 new student members have been added to our unit through his efforts.

May Sectional Post-Mortem The Sectional was very well received and well run. The lessons learned from the sectional can be accessed online. Specific positives included overall organization, prizes, attendance. Negatives included partnership availability being difficult at times. Ways of helping supply partners at rather late notice were discussed. It was suggested that last minute partner fill ins within one day of the unit game would be given free plays. *Moved - Ed, second - Bill; unanimously approved.* It was also brought up that those working particularly hard at the Sectional should be given free plays. *Moved to allow free plays to Tournament Chairman every day, hospitality organizer each day - Ed; second - Steve; carried 7-2.* Having some type of lesson for newer players was thought to be a good idea, but might be difficult to arrange logistically.

Election: Bill came up with a ballot for today's election which has 4 names on it. Ed will run the election before the game today and the results will be published online and in next month's minutes.

2009 Sectional Plan: Nate is looking into alternatives for a site for the Memorial Day Sectional as we cannot use the entire weekend next year at the Soledad Club.

Pre-planning for the Christmas Party was brought up. It was suggested it should be at the Soledad Club again.

Soledad Club Issues: An invoice for cleaning the Soledad Club suggests that we pay a substantial part of cleaning the premises compared to other users.

Hospitality: Alice will do hospitality next time.

New Business: Ed brought up the ACBL Bulletin article of having a special game for "8 is enough" concept. Briefly, this is a team game where members are given a number based on their strat (e.g. C players are 1 point, B players 2 points and A players 3 points). Teams can be made up of 4 members whose combined points cannot be greater than 8. This allows players of all different masterpoint levels to be allowed to play together and provides new opportunities for players to interact and get to know each other. The board agreed that this concept would be fun to try during one of our 5th Sunday team games.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:29PM. The next meeting of the board will be Sunday, July 13 at 11:30AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Diana Marquardt
Unit 526 secretary