

AMERICAN CONTRACT BRIDGE LEAGUE
La Jolla Unit #526

Monthly Board Meeting – August 10, 2008
Meeting Called to Order 11:40

Members Present: Diana Marquardt, Cass Donovan, Steve Johnson, David Oakley, Ron Ignelzi, Bill Grant, Matthew Kidd. Alice Leicht, Nate McCay

Members Absent: Manoochehr Bahmanian

Minutes of July Board Meeting: Approved as submitted

Unit Board Assignments: Alice Leicht will continue as Membership Chair. Matthew Kidd will take over the La Jolla Unit Web Site.

Treasurer's Report: \$156.00 in the black for the month of July. But, based on outgoing expenses, we broke about even for the month of July. See the Treasurer's Report emailed by Diana Marquardt. The report is also available on the Unit Web Site.

Partnership's: The possibility was discussed of having partnership standby's to accommodate players without a partner. Cass Donovan and Ron Ignelzi will maintain a list of stand-by partners. It was also discussed to provide rides to Unit Members who wish to play in the May 2009 Sectional but don't have transportation. This is still in the discussion stage.

Membership Report: Total membership = 267 members. The reasons for the increase are the Youth membership, and the re-districting of the Zip Codes in the San Diego area. This is allowing new members to be automatically assigned to the La Jolla Unit.

Awards will be presented today for new and un-awarded recognition, and any other awards left over awards from previous sessions.

Alice asked if we could hold a "Welcome Newcomer's (newcomer's to the Unit) Game" where new members would pay "Two-for-One". Bill Grant will investigate in conjunction with the schedule. Perhaps have an on-going policy for newcomer's to come and play at a reduced or no cost. Further discussion will be conducted via email.

2009 Sectionals: A January Sectional is probably not going to happen at the Soledad Club due to scheduling conflicts. Holding a sectional in January elsewhere was

discussed and discarded. The May Sectional will probably be held at Adventures in Bridge. Nate is to contact Barbara Hollis for more information for holding the Sectional at Adventures and in discussions with Wirt Gillam for costs. Holding events on the 4th day of the Memorial Day Sectional was also discussed, and the feeling of the board is to have a 4-day Sectional. Assigning someone to do the food each day for the Sectional is a great idea. Nate will work on a schedule for the Sectional and report at the next Unit Board Meeting.

2009 Schedule: The 2009 Unit game schedule needs to be drafted soon to give to the Soledad Club (Patti Gorman). The 5th Sunday's games was discussed and Bill will talk to Vicki Creamer to equally divide the Sunday's between La Jolla and San Diego Units.

An "8 is enough Swiss Team" will be held on the 5th Sunday in August.

Bridge At La Jolla High: Bill Grant spoke of a student at La Jolla High who wanted to start a Bridge Club at the high school. Cost is \$5.00 per student. Bill has been working hard to promote Bridge in the High School – accolades to Bill! David would rather see us sponsor, teach, etc. vice cash outlay. Students would have to complete the bridge course prior to the La Jolla Unit paying for memberships. A motion was proposed to sponsor up to 20 students (\$100.00) and seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Christmas Party: Volunteers were solicited to be in charge of the Unit Holiday Party on the 2nd Sunday in December. Diana will work on this (but will request help if she needs it). West Coast Catering will be contacted for food.

Hospitality: Cass very generously agreed to coordinate hospitality for the upcoming year. Cass has people through the 28th of September for hospitality.

Pencils: David will contact a company in Las Vegas to acquire pencils to advertise the La Jolla Unit. David seems to think that they will cost about .11 cents each. A motion was submitted to approve David expending the funds (approx. \$200.00) and seconded. Motion was carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:22PM. The next meeting of the board will be Sunday, September 14th at 11:30AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Johnson
Unit 526 Secretary