

AMERICAN CONTRACT BRIDGE LEAGUE
La Jolla Unit #526

Monthly Board Meeting – October 12, 2008
Meeting Called to Order 11:40

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

Members Absent: None

Minutes of September Board Meeting: Approved as submitted

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report for September has been posted to the La Jolla Unit Web site. Each month's report is different based on incoming money from various sources. Topic of discussion included the Vanguard CD account. The Treasurer (Diana Marquardt) and one other unit board member need to be signatories on the Vanguard account.

Membership Report: Total membership = 265 members as of October 1, 2008. This is a slight decrease from September due to the differences/re-alignment in Zip Codes. Active membership trends show the La Jolla Unit as the second best in the District for "active" members and 51st nationwide (maintaining and keeping active in Bridge). Discussion regarding getting new members to play more – discussion for ideas will occur via email over the course of the coming months. Alice will provide a formal proposal regarding New Members.

Partnership's: Nothing to Report

Halloween Potluck: Pot Luck was discussed for the Unit Game on the 26th. La Jolla players will be solicited to bring food. Discount will be given on playing fees if players bring something to share. The Unit will provide "staple" type food.

2009 May Sectional: 4-day Sectional. No schedule is prepared as yet, but Nate will have a tentative schedule for the next meeting. A 2-session event will be held on Memorial Day Monday with the Team Game on Sunday. Rental for the proposed playing site (Adventures in Bridge) is \$500.00 per day. Rental fee includes Coffee, Tea, etc. Cleaning is also included. No formal contract is as yet signed, but Nate does have a verbal agreement with Wirt Gilliam.

Bridge At La Jolla High: Ron reported that the High School will form a Card Club (bridge is just one of the games). Nothing is firm as yet as to how to get High School Bridge off the ground. We will probably “spin” the game of Bridge into a mathematics focus in order to generate more interest from the High School administration and teachers. There is obviously more work needed to be taken care of before this becomes a reality at the High School.

Christmas Party: Elijah’s Catering will do the Christmas party. A contract for the Party has been signed. Elijah’s will do the party as a Brunch Style (eggs, sausage, etc.) buffet. Cost is \$10.00 for members and \$20.00 for non-members. Door prizes were discussed. Discussion include perhaps bottles of champagne or Christmas ornaments. Diana Marquardt will solicit for volunteers for help. Steve Johnson will help with Flyers. Other board members will help with clean-up. An extra caddy will possibly be required for the party.

La Jolla Unit Web Site: Lots of new tools on the site, including hand analysis.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:28 PM. The next meeting of the board will be Sunday, November 23rd at 11:30AM (No game November 9th due to Coronado Sectional).

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Johnson
Unit 526 Secretary