

La Jolla Bridge Unit 526  
Board Meeting Minutes

June 10, 2012

Members Present: Cass Donovan, Randy Fadem, Bill Grant, Marge Hughes,  
Matthew Kidd, and Chuck Wilson

The meeting was called to order by President Randy Fadem.

The minutes of the May 13 meeting were approved as written.

Chuck distributed copies of the May Treasurer's Reports, highlighting the new balance of \$6,586.88 in the Wells Fargo account. He noted that the Vanguard account is up about \$200. The reports do not include all numbers from the Memorial Sectional, but when finalized the profit for that event should be in the range of \$1,100 to \$1,300!

There was a second colostomy bag mishap in the Ladies Room, and Jan-Pro charged an extra \$50 for cleaning the area. It was agreed that a sign should be printed and displayed in the Ladies Room warning that the person responsible for a colostomy bag mishap would be fined \$50 to take care of the necessary cleaning charge. Randy volunteered to get the sign made and displayed in a clear way for members to see.

Matthew suggested that he would like to make a detailed final report on the Memorial Weekend Sectional, with expenses itemized by category. He, Bill, and Chuck will cooperate in finalizing this report.

A question was asked about the popularity of the food trucks used on Friday and Saturday. It seemed the bridge players were amenable to the idea of the food trucks, and they preferred Eastern European food rather than Mexican food.

The caddy situation was discussed briefly, and it was decided to hire Patricia McGinn to be a full-time caddy.

Randy gave a report on the high school bridge classes. Helping Bill Grant with the Chula Vista teaching were Marty Roth and Alan Rowen. There was a short

discussion as to whether the unit wants to continue to support the Chula Vista program. It was generally agreed that it is important to promote youth bridge in Chula Vista, as well as in La Jolla. Approximately 150 students took part this year, and many unit members and other San Diego players monitored, including Vi Beckenridge, John Devine, Randy Fadem, Judy Greene, Ron Ignelzi, Jackie Ives, Matthew Kidd, Mary Lowe, Otto Newman, Judy Rimer, Linda Rutgard, Stephen Seagren, Larry Sherman, and Rick Simpson.

Randy said that possibly there might also be adult interest in bridge education. Perhaps the unit could follow up on that idea.

Since the Soledad lease renewal is imminent, scheduling a 2013 Sectional was the next topic on the agenda. After agreeing that a Sectional SHOULD be scheduled, there followed a lengthy discussion as to the venue for it: either the Soledad Club or Adventures in Bridge. Pros and cons for both locations were proffered and discussed in detail. In the final analysis all the Board members except Chuck agreed to try Adventures in Bridge next year, and Randy will negotiate with Wirt. Chuck had important reservations about changing the venue -- he said that there are some loyal La Jolla Unit members who will not play at AIB, that it's not a good idea to have the La Jolla Unit Sectional and the San Diego Unit Sectional at the same location, and that we risk losing our identity.

As an aside in the above discussion, it was agreed to give Gail a free play today for all she does to help; Chuck will tell Paul.

Randy suggested a new idea: run a separate non-life-Master Swiss game at our two regular Sunday Unit games. Silver points would be awarded. An additional caddy would be needed, and perhaps Paul would be willing to direct both games for extra compensation. Bill will apply for ACBL approval.

Bill raised the topic of "free plays" for Board members, but because of insufficient time, discussion will be deferred until the July meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.

Marge Hughes, Secretary