

La Jolla Bridge Unit 526  
Board Meeting Minutes

October 14, 2012

Members Present: Joyce Bailey, Charlotte Blum, Cass Donovan, Bill Grant, Marge Hughes,  
Ron Ignelzi, Matthew Kidd, and Chuck Wilson

Members Absent: Janet Ansfield and Randy Fadem

The minutes of the September meeting were accepted as e-mailed, with the one-word correction of changing "Monday" to "Sunday" in the 5<sup>th</sup> paragraph.

Chuck explained that the Treasurer's Report included some one-of-a-kind expenses that were paid in September. The yearly insurance premium was \$388, which will give us coverage until September, 2013. The October rent of \$350 was prepaid. Chuck noted that the Vanguard funds are up about \$330 total.

Matthew suggested that the Awards Expense is not a Game Expense; rather it is a Membership Expense. The Treasurer's Reports were accepted with that change of listing.

Joyce brought up the question, "What is the function of this Board? Is it to make money? Is it to provide a game for the community? Is it for teaching at the local high schools?" A short discussion ensued highlighting the fact that we have an IRS exemption as a nonprofit organization and are required to file an annual report of expenses and revenues, with an awareness of not earning too much profit.

Joyce also questioned the format of the monthly statements, as well as the advisability of transferring funds from the Money Market to the Vanguard accounts.

With her interest in these financial matters, Matthew said he would relinquish his place on the Finance Committee and appoint Joyce to that position.

Next, as Membership Chairman, Charlotte informed us that she had sent out 40 letters to people who have transferred into our unit. She announced that today at the Awards Ceremony 11 awards will be presented to "rank advancers" from the last 3 years. The awards, totaling \$335, range from clocks to boxes to paperweights to pen sets, engraved appropriately.

Matthew gave a brief update on the Memorial Sectional 2013 weekend, informing us that Patti Gorman has rented the Soledad facility on both Saturday and Sunday of that weekend, thus satisfactorily ending her contention of holding our unit to a one-year cancellation notification in the lease. However, a protocol detail came to light regarding permission being obtained for a unit to hold a sectional within the boundaries of another unit.

Matthew has made a formal request to John Lagodimos and expects no difficulty in this regard.

Although our original plan for the Memorial Sectional was to hold it on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday of that weekend, the idea of perhaps getting more people to attend if we held it on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday was discussed. It was noted that more people would have Monday off than Friday. Bill will check with Wirt regarding the cost change.

Then followed a brief update on the Holiday Party. Cass noted that we can accept 50 pair reservations, and she already has 19. Matthew will print more fliers, and Bill will take some of them to AIB.

With regard to Hospitality for the October 28 game, Bill volunteered to shop, Charlotte volunteered to bake, and Cass, Joyce, and Marge volunteered to help set up.

Various aspects of the NLM Sectional were discussed. Ron's name and number will be added to "Partnerships" on the flier. The breakdown of stratifications will be checked with ACBL by Matthew. Bill will check with Patti as to the number of tables and chairs on hand. Bill reiterated that he will buy pizza, soda, and ice for luncheon. Matthew will purchase doughnuts. It was decided that one caddy could handle the NLM games, and a second caddy would be necessary for the regular Unit game. Matthew will ask Patricia and perhaps Janet's grandson could be contacted to be the second caddy.

Matthew announced that there had been a third colostomy bag incident, and our Unit had been charged an extra \$50 for the clean-up fee. Matthew will prepare some signs to be exhibited at the next game; Bill will ask Wirt if he has any similar problems at AIB.

Our meeting time had expired, but Charlotte quickly reviewed some tactics to help with increasing attendance at our Unit games.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marge Hughes