

ACBL Unit #526

April 13, 2014

The meeting was called to order by President Matthew Kidd AT 11:40 am.

In attendance: Matthew Kidd, Chuck Wilson, Ursula Kantor, Ron Ignelzi, Cass Donovan, Charlotte Blum

Absent: Randy Fadem, Lynne Anderson, Bill Grant

The March, 2014 minutes were approved.

Chuck presented the Financial report which showed an average loss of \$35 for each of the three March unit games. The checking account balance is \$5793.66 but he noted that the April rent for Soledad Club has been paid and the check cashed. Report approved.

Matthew Kidd commented on the upcoming May sectional: flyers have been sent to 10 more clubs, it will be announced in 2 months of the *Contract Bridge Forum*, and he will send an Eblast about a month before the tournament. He will touch base with Jean Molnar, our director for the tourney, who lives in our area which helps reduce costs. He is considering having 2 caddies each day. He led a discussion about hospitality, including which board members are Costco members.

La Jolla High teaching: Randy Fadem has served as Education Chair and led the three week teaching at La Jolla High School. He has moved and is unable to continue. Ron Ignelzi is appointed Education Chair. Sandra Gagnon will be the Teacher for the LJHS program. She and Ron have met with the four classroom teachers, and materials have been ordered and will go directly to the high school. Next we need volunteers to help with the program.

Board member candidates: The board has one vacancy and we continue to research possible candidates.

Hosting a Charity game was discussed. The general consensus was to consider such an event with a donation to go to a local charity. Our service to the high school bridge program is one way we give to the community.

Increasing attendance at the unit games was considered: We have tried having a NLM section at the unit games, have hosted a 1 and 2 day NLM tourney, and we desire to encourage newer players to join our games. It was voted unanimously for Ron Ignelzi and Bill Grant to each offer some of 16 free games to newer players to encourage their participation at our 2 monthly unit games.

Update: 2014-2015 Soledad Lease is done, signed by both parties.

The meeting was adjourned by Matt at 12:40 pm with the knowledge that about ten people would be recognized for advancing in rank.

Respectfully submitted, Charlotte Blum