

ACBL UNIT 508 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Minutes of March 21, 2018

1. **Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order by President Gail Haar on Wednesday, March 21, 2018, at 3:30 pm, in Terra Linda.

Directors Present: Ellen Coll, Gail Haar, Melanie Haddad, Hilde Meislin, Rita Schaulat, Bob Thomson, Bill Yeast.

Absent: Tracey Bauer, Judy Leedy, Chris Koehler, Bonnie Nackley.

2. **Minutes. MOTION (Rita / Bill):** That the Minutes of the Board Meeting for Unit 508 of February 14, 2018 be approved as distributed. **Carried.**

3. **President's Report.**

a. The Nominating Committee (Bill, Ellen, Gail) will present a slate of proposed new directors at the next meeting.

b. The Forum is going digital in May. There will be more opportunity to list achievements and include photos in the new digital format.

c. Application from Susan Angel for grant for nephews to attend Nationals approved.

4. **Education.**

a. Larry Cohen, May 10, 2018. We need volunteers on the day of the event. Bill, Bob and Hilde will help set up in the morning. Ellen, Gail, Bonnie will help with lunch service and cleanup.

b. Possible Jerry Helms visit. Tabled until Chris's return in April.

5. **Update on Sectional.** Ellen is well organized, but needs volunteers. Gail, Bob, Bill and Melanie will help set up on Friday evening. Rita and Bonnie will sell lunch tickets on Saturday and Bill and Bill and Bill Shalen will sell them on Sunday. Ellie Bauer and friend will be paid to help serve lunches. Certificate of Insurance issued by ACBL.

6. **Mentoring.** Tabled.

7. **Website.** Bill tested 2 back up software systems which failed to work. He is trying to arrange to test Back Up Buddy to find a back up system for the Unit website that has necessary functionality (backs up and restores everything including historical data, attachments, pdfs, and other key parts outside WordPress.)

8. **Membership.** Bill reported that Mail Chimp is now being used to send the "Blast" to all 600+ subscribers; the normal email, marinunit508@gmail.com, will continue to be used for all inbound email as well as non-bulk outbound email.

9. **Sound System.** Bill has identified a portable sound system for the the Unit to purchase for \$250 with a \$10 warranty. The sound system will be stored at Terra Linda.

10. **Any Other Business.** The next Board Meeting will be held on April 18, 2018.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Haddad, Secretary