

## ACBL UNIT 508 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

### Minutes of June 21, 2017

1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order by President Arti Bhargava on Wednesday, June 21, 2017, at 3:30 pm in Terra Linda.

Directors Present: Arti Bhargava, Gail Haar, Rita Schaulat, Chris Koehler, Melanie Haddad, Tracey Bauer, Lani Valentine

Absent: Richard Riezman, Bill Yeast, Ellen Coll, Hilde Meislin

Also Present: Bob Thomson, Jackie Zayac

2. Candidate Presentation. Arti introduced Jackie Zayac, candidate for the National ACBL Board of Directors from District 21. Jackie described her qualifications to seek this position, including her role as President of the Diablo Unit, a member of the District 21 Board, and serving as second alternate, District 21 Director, to the National Board. One member from each of the ACBL Districts (25 total) is elected to serve on the National ACBL Board of Directors.

Other candidates running for this position are Jim Leuker and Stu Goodgold. An election in each Unit in District 21 will take place in August. Voting instructions (electronic) have been forwarded to Gail from Arti.

3. Minutes. MOTION (Rita/Arti): That the Minutes of the Board Meeting for Unit 508 of May 24, 2017, be approved as distributed. Carried.

4. Education.

- Barbara Seagram, November 16, 2017. Pickleweed is the venue for this seminar. Rita and Chris reviewed the costs, including facility rental, speaker's fee, hotel/car, handouts.

- Larry Cohen, May 10, 2018. Pickleweed has been confirmed for this seminar as well. Chris and Rita were asked to contact Larry to see if a lower per/person fee could be negotiated. The alternative would be to raise the price for attending.
  - Education Events Workbook. This workbook contains all the information from each education event held by Unit 508. The workbook is currently in the hands of Bill Yeast, who will be asked to forward it to Chris and Rita who will keep it updated and current.
  - Learn Bridge in a Day, September 23, 2017. Melanie, Gail and Arti will meet to work through marketing plans, location and details for this event. It is hoped to attract about 90 persons to this day-long program.
5. Sound System. Melanie will contact Hal Schmidt (Tiburon) for his input for either a rental of a sound system that would suffice for our Election/Awards party and local speakers, or his recommendation for what could be purchased.
  6. Website. Bob reported that the new revised website is up and running, and he will solicit feedback from users as a check-back.
  7. Job Descriptions. Gail reported some are still missing. She will pursue.
  8. Election Party, Sunday, June 25. Details were reviewed, including a thank you certificate gift for Laura Fraser for her 20 years managing our Unit website.
  9. District 21 Update. Tracey noted that the following dates were calendared for the Marin Sectional in the coming years: 2018: April 21 - 22; 2019: April 13 - 15 or April 26 - 28; 2020: April 18 - 20 or April 24 - 26. She also noted that Modesto will not be a repeat site for a District Regional Tournament because of cancellation issues.

There being so further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Lani Valentine, Secretary