

# ACBL UNIT 508 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

## Minutes of September 19, 2018

1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order by Bill Yeast on Wednesday, September 19, 2018, at 3:30 pm in Terra Linda.

Directors Present: Tracey Bauer, Martha England, Melanie Haddad, Miriam Kaegi, Judy Leedy, Bob Thomson, Bill Yeast

Absent: Gail Haar, Hilde Meislin

2. Minutes. MOTION (Tracey/ Miriam): That the Minutes of the Board Meeting for Unit 508 of August 15, 2018, be approved as distributed. Carried.

3. President's Report: Henry was not able to purchase a set of boards from Bob Crossley, and accordingly purchased a set of new boards on behalf of the Unit for use at the Sectional.

Tracey has received lifetime membership into the Aileen Osofsky ACBL National Goodwill Committee.

4. VP & Development Report: The new mentoring system, with online registration, is working well.

5. Report from District 21: Bill and Tracey attended the District 21 Board meeting at the Santa Clara Regional. Tracey reported that the ACBL is launching a marketing campaign designed to attract new members of retirement age. Doug Couchman was elected as the Second Alternate to District 21 Director to the ACBL Board of Directors. The Western Conference has been restructured. The districts in the Western Conference will continue to cooperate on scheduling of tournaments and STaC weeks.

6. Education.

- LBIAD, January 20, 2019. The Palo Alto and Diablo Valley Units have decided against sharing the costs of having Patty Tucker conduct LBIAD seminars. A subcommittee will meet to discuss alternatives.
- Robert Todd, April 25, 2018. Robert Todd is booked for April 25, 2019, however, Pickleweed is not available on that date. Martha and Miriam will explore other venues and other dates with Robert.
- Michael Hartnett & Bob Thomson. Michael and Bob will give a class before the Unit game on October 21. Bill will ensure that boards are given to Michael and Bob in advance.

7. Treasurer's Report. Tabled.

8. Website. Tabled.

9. Sectional. The Marin Spring Sectional will take place on April 13 & 14, 2019. Judy distributed the draft flyer for the 2019 Sectional. Suggestions were made about the single session stratifications. MOTION (Miriam/ Martha): That the flyer for the 2019 Marin Sectional be approved with the changes to stratifications. Carried.

The flyer will be submitted to the ACBL for approval. Miriam volunteered to help Judy organize the sectional.

**10. Any Other Business.**

Bill reported that every year the ACBL Charitable Foundation grants money to charitable causes nominated by different districts. This year the money will be distributed to charities nominated by District 21 (among others). Bill will research the submission requirements and timing.

The Board was asked to commence thinking about nominations for goodwill ambassador.

The November board meeting will take place on November 14.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Haddad, Secretary