

**ACBL UNIT 508 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**Minutes February 27, 2023**

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**Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order by president Arti Bhargava on Monday, February 27, 2023, at 4:30 pm. The meeting took place via Zoom.

**Present:** Tracey Bauer, Arti Bhargava, Shirley Ehrlich, Melanie Haddad, Judy Leedy,, Ann Schweichler, Bob Thomson

**Absent:** Cindy Blum, Steve Levinson, Vince Mueller

1. **Minutes. MOTION** (Arti/ Steve): That the Minutes of the Unit 508 Board of Directors Meeting of January 14, 2023, be approved as distributed. Carried.
2. **President's Report.**
  - a. **Awards ceremony:** The awards ceremony will be held at the Annual Meeting and Election Party in June. The date will be decided at the next meeting.
3. **Mentoring.** Tabled.
4. **Unit Coordinator.** Ann has scheduled Unit games through March. She will continue to schedule them through the end of the year. The Unit is able to hold up to 24 unit games each year.
5. **Blast Coordinator.** Another unit requested that we include its unit games in the list of upcoming games in the Blast. Decided not to change the current policy of listing only Unit 508 unit games.
6. **2023 Unit Sectional.** Judy reported that the Sectional is well organized. It will be like the 2022 Sectional, with no lunch served and no cushions. Board members will help set up on Friday and strike on Sunday as well as during the Sectional. Judy and Ann will solicit other volunteers in the Blast. The Board must find a new Chair for 2024.
7. **D21 Report.** At its D21 Board meeting on January 25 the D21 Board elected new officers and representatives to the ACBL Advisory Board. A summary of the Board meeting is in the February Diamond in the Ruff and on the D21 website. The District's Tournament Committee just announced that the Memorial Day Regional will be held at the DoubleTree in Sacramento.
8. **Any Other Business.**
  - a. **Online Partnership Tool:** Shirley reported she had investigated options for an online partnership tool and membership directory. It will be difficult to protect privacy. Unit members would have to opt in. We will continue to review possible options and logistics of creating a list. People will be encouraged to contact the game directors to help find partners and taking classes is another effective way to meet new players.

The next board meeting will take place in person on Friday, March 24, 2023, at 3:30 pm, following play at Terra Linda. If Board members are unable to attend in person, they may attend via conference call.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Haddad

Secretary