

ACBL UNIT 508 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Minutes November 8, 2023

Call to Order. The meeting was called to order by President Arti Bhargava on Wednesday, November 8, 2023, at 3:30 pm at the Terra Linda Recreation Center, San Rafael, CA.

Present: Arti Bhargava, Cindy Blum, TJ Campbell, Shirley Ehrlich, Carolyn Farren, Melanie Haddad, Steve Levinson, Tricia Maas

Absent:

1. Special Meeting The meeting was called a special meeting to discuss the Holiday Party. MOTION (Cindy/ Steve) that notice be waived and the monthly Board meeting scheduled for November 15, 2023 be held concurrently with the special meeting. Carried unanimously.
2. Holiday Party Cindy confirmed that the Holiday Party will start at noon with the game to start at 1 pm. Board members are asked to arrive at Terra Linda to help set up at 10:30. Each Board member was asked to bring a salad to the party. Cindy will seek desserts from the Unit membership via sign ups. Wine, beer, eggnog, coffee, tea, and non alcoholic beverages will be provided. There will be a 499er and open games. TJ will draft and circulate a blurb for the blast. Melanie will create a google sign up sheet for rsvps on which attendees may indicate in which game they will play and whether they need a partner. There will be no charge for the party or game.
3. Unit Facebook Page
Tracey resigned from the Board on October 21, 2023, but subsequently indicated a desire to continue to manage the Unit's Facebook page. It was felt that there should be Board supervision of all Unit publications. Tracey will be invited to continue to manage the Unit's Facebook page provided a current Board member is made a co-administrator of the page so that the Unit has access to the account.

Publication Guidelines for the Unit were circulated. MOTION (Shirley/ Arti): that the Unit adopt the Publication Guidelines and all Unit publications be required to comply with them. Carried.
4. Membership - Lapsed Members
Carolyn received a list of lapsed members from the ACBL. The ACBL recommends that the Unit contact each lapsed member by telephone and encourage them to return to the ACBL. The list will be added to the shared drive and each Board member will review it and indicate which lapsed members they will contact. The remaining list will be divided up among board members. Peggy and Henry will be asked to review the list first.
5. Celebrity Speakers
Arti will explore a celebrity speaker event to be held before the Marin Sectional in 2024.
6. Any Other Business

None.

The next board meeting will take place in person on Wednesday, December 20, 2023 at the Terra Linda Recreation Center, San Rafael, CA. 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 4:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Haddad

Secretary, Unit 508