

ACBL UNIT 508 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Minutes February 11, 2025

Call to Order. The meeting was called to order by President Carolyn Farren on Wednesday, January 15, 2024, at 2:30 pm, at Carolyn's Farren's home.

Present: Shirley Ehrlich, Carolyn Farren, Pat Irwin, Elaine Kitano, Steve Levinson, Mary Warner

Absent: Melanie Haddad

1. **Minutes:** MOTION (Mary / Pat): That the Minutes of the Unit 508 Board of Directors Meeting of January 15, 2025 be approved as distributed. Carried.
2. **Treasurer's Report:** The Unit's major source of income so far this fiscal year is the ACBL Membership Reimbursement of \$1,832.58. The Homeward Bound sponsorship of \$1,200 covered the cost of the Holiday Party. The major costs of the party were the facility rental and the director fee. The collaborative effort by board and other unit members of bringing in food and drink saved the unit over \$1,200 from the prior costs.
3. **2025 Sectional:** The Spring Fling, the Marin Sectional, will be held March 29 & 30 at Marin Catholic High School. Shirley reported that flyers have been distributed at the Petaluma and San Francisco unit games and at other sectionals such as Livermore. Shirley brought up the idea of providing chair cushions to attendees. The possibility of renting perhaps 50 cushions for distribution to people who need them was discussed. Shirley will research the rental price and inform the board at the next meeting. Also discussed was asking unit members to bring goodies for attendees, such as cookies etc. Pat Irwin will set up the coffee and tea and take care of cups and cream etc. Shirley will make a more complete presentation at our next board meeting.
4. **Unit Games:** The unit game held Feb 8 was very successful. We had 19 tables, four of which were 499ers. There were lots of excellent snacks, mostly provided by board members. The next unit game is scheduled for Saturday April 26 at Terra Linda. Peggy has secured the room. Tony Jackson has agreed to make a presentation prior to the unit game, details to be worked out.
5. **Website:** Pat has been working closely with Nancy to develop an accurate and user-friendly website.
6. **Election and Annual Meeting:** The Unit's Annual Meeting and Election is scheduled for June 22. Elaine agreed to oversee the planning of this event, but she will be out of state on the day of the event. It was decided that the regular fee per game will be charged. Lunch will not be served, but there will be hearty snacks. We need to identify a slate of board members. To be discussed at the next board meeting.

The next regular Board meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 18, 2025 at 2:30 pm, on Zoom. Agenda items to include Spring Fling, Election issues and discussion for possible new board members, Unit game preparation and report on Tony Jackson's upcoming presentation.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Compiled by Melanie Haddad, Secretary, Unit 508, from notes from Steve Levinson and Carolyn Farren