

**American Contract Bridge League
District 8 Board Meeting
May 25, 2019**

Board and Committee members present: Pam Ames, Debbie Avery, Mark Boswell, Michael Carmen, Jay Coleman, Bo and Linda Goersch, Terry Goodykoontz, Paul Hartke, Georgia Heth, Martha Leary, John Pree, Ron Sholes, Mary Beth Shaw, Van Stone, Hugh Williams.

Board and Committee members absent: Marilyn Croft, Debbie Romero, Rick Beye, Chris Shaw, Carole Sholes, Karen Walker, Milt Zlatic.

Mr. Coleman called the May 25, 2019 District 8 Board of Directors meeting to order at 9:30 AM. Ms. Ames moved to accept the minutes of the August 28, 2018 Annual Board of Directors meeting as presented. Second, Mr. Sholes carried.

Treasurer's report: Ms. Avery submitted the current year income and expense reports, the District's check registers and the NABC CD statements for the Boards review. Mr. Carmen moved to accept the documents as presented. Second, Mr. Pree carried.

President's report: Mr. Coleman reported that there had been six transfers into the District and one transfer out. He appointed Mr. Goodykoontz to the Board of Governors.

ACBL Director's report: Ms. Heth reported that Joe Jones was the new executive Director. She reviewed the plans to revamp the ACBL Board of Directors and the Board of Governors. She noted that they are working on cutting expenses for 2020.

Financial Review report: Mr. Sholes reported that all appeared to be in order.

Charity report: Mr. Pree distributed the financial report for 2018. The report outlines concern for the loss of participation in 2018. The District 8 charity month is scheduled for the entire month of October.

Goodwill report: Ms. Heth called for nominations to the Goodwill committee.

Judiciary Committee:

Disciplinary: No report.

Appellate: No report.

Education Committee Youth Bridge: Ms. Shaw reported that the Youth Bridge Camp will begin June 23. They have 18 campers but would like to have 30 campers. Adult Bridge Boot Camp is October 21-24.

Tournament Coordinator report: No report.

Regional Tournament reports:

St. Louis: Mr. Carmen reported that 2018 was the first year for the new format and that he hopes that attendance will improve in 2019.

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Future Regional Status Reports:

Crystal Lake: They are all ready to go.

Effingham: Mr. Hartke reported that they were all set. He asked for the Board's approval to sanction their tournament through 2023 to be held in September. Ms. Ames moved to grant the approval. Second, Ms. Leary carried.

St. Louis: Mr. Carmen will present the 2020 schedule at the St. Louis meeting.

Champaign: Mr. Goodykoontz will present the 2020 schedule at the St. Louis meeting.

STaC Report: Mr. Goersch reported that it appears that moving the Spring STaC to May has increased the table count. Ms. Leary moved that the STaC event be permanently scheduled in May. Second, Ms. Ames carried.

NAP report: Ms. Leary submitted the NAP final report. She noted that the 2019 NAP will be November 10, 2019.

GNT report: Ms. Leary moved that the four GNT teams would receive \$1849.00 per team and if there are not four teams that will go the remaining funds will be divided among those teams that will be participating to a maximum of \$2396.00 per team. Second, Mr. Carmen carried with one abstention.

Old Business: None.

New Business: It was pointed out that the member transfer process needs to be expedited and that the ACBL needs to reach out more to social players for new members.

Being no further business before the District 8 Board of Directors Mr. Carmen moved to adjourn the May 25, 2019 of the District 8 Board of Directors. Second, Mr. Hartke carried.

Respectfully submitted

Deborah Avery

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