

**American Contract Bridge League
District 8 Annual Board meeting
August 28, 2018**

Board and committee members present: Debbie Avery, Michael Carmen, Jay Coleman, Marilyn Croft (remote), Terry Goodykoontz, Martha Leary, John Pree, Debbie Romero, Linda Seibert, Ron Sholes, Van Stone, Rick Beye, Bo Goersch, Georgia Heth, Chris Shaw, Mary Beth Shaw.

Board and committee members absent: Paul Hartke, Margaret Hansell, Carole Sholes, Karen Walker, Neil Whittle, Hugh Williams, Liz Zalar, Milt Zlatic.

Mr. Carmen called the August 28, 2018 annual meeting of the District 8 Board of Directors to order at 7:00 PM. Mr. Coleman moved to accept the minutes as presented. Second, Ms. Romero carried.

Treasurer's report: Ms. Avery submitted the District' financial statements for the Board's review. Mr. Coleman moved to accept the documents as presented. Second, Ms. Romero carried. The proposed budget was presented for discussion. Mr. Coleman moved to eliminate one of the issues of the District 8 Advocate. Second, Ms. Croft carried. Mr. Coleman moved to cut the NABC funding for 2019 by \$1500.00. Second, MS. Seibert carried. Due to an accounting error that resulted in an overpayment in 2018 to Youth Bridge organization, Mr. Coleman moved to reduce the amount of the payment due to Youth Bridge Organization in May of 2019 to \$146.00. Second, Mr. Pree carried.

President's report: Mr. Carmen introduced Van Stone as the new representative from Unit 239. He noted there have been 2 transfers into Unit 239. He remarked that the implementing of the Purple Pass in Unit 143 for the regional was voted down by their Unit Board.

Nominating: Mr. Sholes presented the slate of officers for the calendar year 2019. Jay Coleman was nominated for President and Marilyn Croft for Vice President .Mr. Carmen called for nominations from the floor. There being no further nominations forthcoming Ms. Leary moved to close the nominations and accept the slate as presented. Second, Ms. Romero carried.

ACBL Directors report: Ms. Heth reported that the funding for the NABCs has changed. The ACBL will be in charge of all hospitality and registration gifts. All food will be ordered and paid for by the ACBL. Audrey Grant program will offer a group discount. New documents that are guidelines for Units and Districts regarding discipline are available online. The requirement for District wide hand records for the STaC events has been postponed for two years. Mr. Coleman moved that Ms. Romero and Mr. Sholes be the first and second alternates to the ACBL Board. Second, Ms. Leary carried.

Financial Review committee: No report.

Charity committee: Ms. Croft noted that the District Wide Charity games will be held the entire month of October.

Goodwill committee: No report.

Judiciary committees:

Discipline: No report.

Appellate: No report.

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Education Committee:

Education chairman: Ms. Shaw reported that the 2018 Adult Bridge Boot Camp will be held October 15-18.

Youth coordinator: Mr. Shaw reported that the eleven year bridge program with Effingham schools is coming to an end. He noted that many of the former campers have gone on to do well in many ACBL events. They host campers from up to fifteen different states. The amount that the ACBL sends to fund camps has been lowered.

Tournament Coordinator: Mr. Beye noted that the Knockouts were not drawing well but that the bracketed Swiss events were popular.

Regional Tournament reports 2018:

Champaign 2018: Mr. Goodykoontz submitted the report.

Crystal Lake: Ms. Croft submitted the report.

Effingham: The report was submitted.

Future Regional reports 2019:

Crystal Lake: Ms. Croft will submit her schedule at a later date. She said that the site will be finalized soon.

Effingham: June 17-23 the schedule will be presented at a later date. Sanctions are in place for September dates for the next three years.

St. Louis: Mr. Carmen reported that things will be the same for next year.

Champaign: Mr. Goodykoontz reported that things will be the same.

STaC report: Mr. Goersch said that the committee has some later dates for the Spring STaC. Ms. Leary moved to hold the 2019 Spring STaC be held the week of May 6-12. Second, Mr. Sholes carried.

NAP report: Ms. Leary reported the NAP will be held November 11 at the Wyndham Garden Inn.

GNT report: Ms. Sholes will be the GNT coordinator. The event will be May 4-5.

Old business: None

New Business: None.

Mr. Coleman moved to adjourn the August 18, 2019 District 8 Annual Board meeting. Second, Ms. Croft. Respectfully submitted

Deborah Avery, Secretary

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