Minutes of Regular Meeting San Luis Obispo Unit 540 March 8, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 11:30 AM, by President Gina Kirk. Present were Board members Bill Ringbom, Fred Strong, Louise Abbott, Doris Dunn, Pat Hallock and Charles Davis. Absent were board members Bill Donovan and Bob Clark. Present in an observer status was retired board member George Sheffield.

- 1. Open Meeting/Review Agenda. Gina opened the meeting, reviewed the agenda items and announced that the bulk of the meeting would involve a review of February's Sectional Tournament.
- 2. Minutes of February Meeting. The minutes from the February, 2013 meeting were reviewed and approved by the board.
- 3. Financial Report. Pat Hallock reviewed the February Treasurer's Report, highlighting the income and expenses from the Sectional Tournament. She advised that not all of the bills had yet been submitted and paid, but that February's income so far had exceeded expenses by \$3892.16. Ending numbers for February show a checking account balance of \$5356.40 and savings account of \$3374.27, and a total balance of \$8730.67.

4. Old Business

a. 2013 Sectional Tournament Evaluation. Gina led a lengthy discussion with the board on an evaluation of how the tournament did. Half of her list of items were covered, discussion on the rest was continued to the next board meeting in April. Key points of discussion: Director---Nancy did a very good job; Turn Out---173 tables for the weekend compared to 165.5 tables last year; Events---the Knock-Outs were poorly attended and the board decided to drop them next year; Start Times---new start times worked well; Venue---no issues with the building; Food---home cooked foods need to include ingredients so allergy sensitive people know what they contain; Sunday Pizza---next year cost needs to increase to \$5 and include a beverage; Coffee---no problems; Pre-dealing Boards---No final decision on this; Table Placards---need to be larger so they aren't covered up by the boards; Posting Results---Bill Ringbom will ensure next year they are posted on the website daily; Set Up and Clean Up---went well; Free Plays---continue with 2/session for those handling the refreshments.

5. New Business

- a. Request by SLO Club for Liability Insurance Reimbursement. The board agreed to fund \$110 of the SLO Club's costs to cover the monthly Unit games.
- b. Request by Morro Bay for Contribution for Equipment Purchase. The board reiterated its policy of funding capital purchases at 50% of their cost up \$400. **Bill Ringbom** will work with the SLO and Paso Robles clubs to pursue a joint purchase of **time clocks** and advise the board at the next meeting of their decision.

- c. March Unit Game-Awards. Gina and Doris will jointly handle this at the game on Saturday, March 9.
- d. Website Updates. Our Unit website has outdated information on officers for the Unit, the Morro Bay, SLO and 5 Cities Clubs. Club managers are asked to send Bill a memo updating their data.
- e. Phone/Email List Updates. After a discussion the board voted to not post these on the Unit Website, but that individuals needing that information should contact Louise Abbott, who will send it to them.
- f. Director Reimbursement Policy. Board member Charles Davis advised he would not be seeking reimbursement. With new directors Jim Solomon, Leda Fields, and Bill Donovan the board felt new director candidates were not needed at this time. Fred Strong advised he would follow up with existing candidate **Marie Pope** to determine her interest in taking the exam.
- g. Club Activities. Arroyo Grande---Doris had no new information; Morro Bay---Louise announced she would be taking over the Club Manager position, assisted by Stu Baron on day to day activities. New officers would be elected on April 2; Paso Robles---Fred had no new information; SLO---Bill Ringbom had no new information.
- 6. Next Meeting. Gina announced that our next meeting would be on Friday, April 12, 2013 at 11:30 AM.
- 7. Adjourn. Gina adjourned the meeting at 12:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Davis, Unit 540 Secretary