Minutes of Regular Meeting San Luis Obispo Unit 540 August 9, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 11:450 AM, by Board President Fred Strong. Present were Board members: Bill Ringbom, Pat Hallock, Louise Abbott, Gina Kirk, Bob Clark, and Doris Dunn Guests: Gary Yant, Jim Solomon, Karen Velie

Consent Calendar:

Minutes of the August meeting were approved.

Financial Reports: Unit and Tournament. Treasurer Pat Hallock reviewed with the Board the July 2013 financial report, reflecting the Unit's bank balance of \$8,288.62. The financial report was accepted. Pat will present June's report at our next meeting.

Old Business:

Attracting new and beginner players:

Gary Yant had sent out an email with several ideas on how to increase the size of our 99er/199er games. Doris will work with Gina to help arrange partnerships and will personally contact our beginner players. The board reconfirmed its prior decision that the Director of the game can make a decision at game time whether to have a 99er or a 199er section.

The board did not think that giving financial incentives, such as free plays, would be encourage attendance.

Changing from District 22 to 21:

Fred, Gina, and Gary Yant each presented written documents on the issues involved (attached to the end of these minutes). Fred would like to separate the discussion into two separated issues: changing districts and hosting a regional. Lengthy discussion was held. Some members have been contacted to sign a petition to support changing districts. It was agreed that we need to show leadership on these issues. A sub-committee will prepare a document for board review detailing the issues involved and showing pros and cons of our options. Members will be: Fred Strong, Gina Kirk, Gary Yant, and Karen Velie. After board approval, this document will be distributed to our members.

Club Activities: No updates

Meeting was adjourned at: 12:28.

Respectfully submitted, Louise Abbott, substituting for the most honorable Charles Davis, Unit 540 Secretary