

Minutes of Regular Meeting
San Luis Obispo Unit 540
March 14, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 11:30 AM, by Vice President Bill Ringbom, filling in for the absent Fred Strong. Present were Board members Pat Hallock, Bill Ringbom, Doris Dunn, Bill Donovan, Bob Karriker, Bud Zeuschner, Torre Houlgate-West and Charles Davis. Absent was board member Fred Strong.

1. Call Meeting to Order. Bill Ringbom called the meeting to order and briefly reviewed the agenda.
2. Review and Approval of the February minutes. After a brief review the board approved the minutes from last month's meeting.
3. Treasurer's Report and Pertinent Financial Matters. Pat Hallock reviewed the February Treasurer's report, noting that the Unit had \$7768.43 in its checking account and \$3375.62 in its savings account for a total balance of \$11,144.05, the bulk of the additional revenue since the January report being the income from the Sectional Tournament in Arroyo Grande. The report was approved by the board. Pat then briefed the board on the status of our liability insurance policy for the Unit Games, indicating that she was researching the opportunity for obtaining a lower cost policy. Lastly, Pat stated that the board needed to update our records so that Rabobank had current names for those members authorized to access our checking and savings accounts. The board voted to authorize the following individuals: Fred Strong, President; Pat Hallock, Treasurer, and Bud Zeuschner, Board Member. Bud will get together with Fred and visit Rabobank in Paso Robles to update signature cards.
4. Old Business
 - A. Sectional Tournament Wrap-Up. Doris Dunn led a lengthy discussion of the tournament, naming and thanking various board members for their contributions. There was a brief discussion on the distribution of free plays for those helping on the food tables and the board authorized additional recognition for Trish Aldred and Lee Kanehl for their superior assistance in that effort. It was also discussed that next year we appoint a Food Chairperson to coordinate the activities of the different clubs---a final determination being deferred until next year. Doris advised she had gathered a folder of materials, including room lay-out for next year's event. The board then recognized and applauded her leadership during this event. Guest Leda Fields commented and made specific recommendations on how the food program could be improved, the board postponing any decision making until next year.
 - B. Mentoring Program Update. Leda Fields and Torre Houlgate-West led a discussion of the status of the current program with the board concurring with all the activities.
 - C. Unit Game Sanctions Clarification. Doris handed out a list of all 24 sanctions for Unit 540 games in 2014 and how they are distributed to the various clubs, as well as the Unit games. Correcting and clarifying what was contained in

- the previous board minutes (February 2014) the following Unit Games are sanctioned as STaC games: March 8, May 10, July 12 and December 13, 2014.
- D. Renew Stipend for Director candidates in Unit 540. Discussion was postponed until the next board meeting.
 - E. Update on the Longest Day ACBL Fundraiser. Bill Ringbom advised he would update the board at the next meeting on the availability of the SLO Club to hold the event.
5. New Business
- A. Discussion of the disposition of excess drinks from the Sectional. Charles asked the board for guidance and direction on how to handle 93 drinks left over from the Sectional. After discussion it was determined that they would be given at no cost to the Unit Game attendees in May.
 - B. Club Activity Reports. San Luis Obispo: Bill Ringbom had no new updates; Morro Bay: Bob Karriker advised that Ron Sheldon was the new club manager, replacing Louise Abbott; Arroyo Grande: Doris Dunn advised that the move into the Vets Hall in Pismo Beach went smoothly, but they were still working on table layout issues; Paso Robles: No new updates.
 - C. Date/time of Next Meeting: Bill Ringbom announced the next meeting would be on April 11 at 11:30 AM.
6. Adjourn. Vice President Bill Ringbom adjourned the meeting at 12:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Davis, Unit 540 Secretary