

Minutes of Regular Meeting  
San Luis Obispo Unit 540  
July 11, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 11:30 AM, by Fred Strong. Present were Board members Pat Hallock, Doris Dunn, Bob Karriker, Bill Woodson, Bill Ringbom and Charles Davis. Absent were board members Bud Zeuschner, and Torre Houlgate-West. Former board member Gina Kirk attended the meeting to give the board a report on Unit 540's June 21<sup>st</sup> Longest Day events in support of the Alzheimer's Association.

1. Call Meeting to Order. Fred Strong called the meeting to order and briefly reviewed the agenda.
2. Review and Approval of the June minutes. After a brief discussion the board approved the minutes from last month's meeting, with additional language clarifying the sources of the funds which comprise the budget for the Longest Day. The board gave \$600 to support the event and the remaining \$1500 came from an anonymous donation.
3. Treasurer's Report. Pat Hallock reviewed the June Treasurer's report, noting that the Unit had \$8365.36 in its checking account and \$3376.12 in its savings account, for a total balance of \$11,741.47. Pat advised that the expenses for the Longest Day Events had not yet been booked. The board approved her report. She also advised the board she was still working on the evaluation of software and computer options to aid in the preparation of her monthly treasurer's reports and that she would present her findings and recommendations at our next board meeting.
4. Old Business
  - A. ACBL's Longest Day Event. Gina presented the board a lengthy and detailed preliminary report (see attached) on the Longest Day events sponsored by our Unit on June 21<sup>st</sup>. Highlights from her report were that 46-1/2 tables were played in SLO and 2-1/2 in Paso Robles, that approximately 135 individuals attended one or more of the events, including five tables of learners, and that while a final accounting had not yet completed the events appear to have been conducted within the budget approved by the board. Particularly noteworthy is the fact that members of Unit 540, their friends and families, joined by members of Santa Barbara County's Unit 543 (Santa Maria) and Unit 528 (Lompoc/Vandenberg) donated almost \$12,000 to the Alzheimer's Association. Gina presented to the board a lengthy list of individuals who played critical roles in the events' success and asked that they be recognized. Charles advised he would prepare thank you letters for Fred's signature to each of these contributors, voicing the board's appreciation for their work. Gina concluded with the recommendation that if we participate in this ACBL-sponsored event next year we allow for more planning time in advance of the event. Fred and the rest of the board extended their appreciation to Gina for assuming a leadership role in these events and for the quality of her work.
5. New Business

- A. District 22 Election. Fred advised that he will contact the ACBL shortly to advise how we would like the ballots handled for the upcoming October election. Charles advised that the ACBL now has a current and up to date list of board members for voting in the election. Fred acknowledged and thanked the board for expediting approval for moving July 10's game from Pismo Beach to Morro Bay (there was a conflict in the Vets Hall in Pismo which would have precluded us playing the game there).
- B. Bill Woodson, noting the Unit's bank balance, raised the question of the Unit supporting the replacement of bidding cards in the Morro Bay club. The board agreed to add it to the next meeting's agenda.
6. Club Activity Reports. Morro Bay---Now that Bill Woodson has joined the board he volunteered to assume responsibility for providing the monthly reports for this club. He advised that the July 10 game went well in Morro Bay. Arroyo Grande and San Luis Obispo---Doris and Bill Ringbom jointly advised that due to continuing venue issues with the Pismo Beach Vets Hall, the Five Cities Thursday Game will be relocated to the SLO Senior Center beginning July 31 for a maximum of 14 weeks while the Vet's Hall is being remodeled. Paso Robles---Fred advised that the club would be evaluating a potential Wednesday day game at its next meeting and that the funeral service for Pat Twohey would be on July 12. Charles advised that he had contacted the ACBL and that her passing would be noted in the In Memoriam section of the next Bulletin. Bill Ringbom expressed his appreciation to Charles for his diligence in following through on these and his other responsibilities as Unit Secretary---and the board concurred.
7. Date/time of Next Meeting: Fred Strong recommended skipping the August meeting date due to a shortage of agenda items. After a short discussion the board concurred, so our next meeting will be on September 12, 2014 at 11:30 AM.
8. Adjourn. Fred adjourned the meeting at 12:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Davis, Unit 540 Secretary