

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Unit 540 Executive Board
August 9, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President David Gillette, who distributed copies of the meeting Agenda. Members Deb Cameron, Jack Phirman and Judy Obermeier were absent..

1. Review and Approval of the September, 2019 minutes. Secretary Bob Karriker submitted the minutes for approval. Approval was moved by Bill Ringbom, seconded by Rose Will, and the minutes were approved without objection.
2. Treasurer's Report. In the absence of Treasurer Obermeier, presentation of the Treasurer's Report was tabled until the October meeting.
3. Old Business.
 - A. SECTIONAL DISCUSSION AND ANY NECESSARY ACTIONS. The question of selecting a new director for the 2020 Sectional tournament was raised. Further action was delayed until Deb Cameron could present her suggestions from the Sectional Committee. Debate of the question of beginning the tournament on a Thursday, for a 4-day run, was again limited, with no action taken.
 - B. REAL ESTATE COMMITTEE. Jan Zinner reported no further advancement in the project to find a 'permanent home' for games now held in SLO and 5 Cities.
 - C. YOUTH EDUCATION. No report.
4. NEW BUSINESS.
 - A. Projected Pro-Am Game as the October Unit Game. Jan Zinner volunteered to take sign-ups for the game. [NOTE: due to the paucity of interest in members at the "Pro" level, the game was to be re-scheduled—rjk].
 - B. Special Games. It was decided that the October Unit Game would be a charity game, whether or not the "Pro-Am" took place. The Will family foundation in support of Lukemia research at Stanford University hospital was suggested as the beneficiary of any funds raised.
 - C. Gail Lapins on player recognition. Ms. Lapins again spoke about how the Unit can better recognize players as they advance from level to level through the ACBL hierarchy, and how to acknowledge success in the Ace of Clubs and Mini-McKinney rankings. One suggestion which merited consideration was to issue a special invitation to all monthly advancers to participate in the Unit Game for the month as a 'guest' of the Board.
5. Club Reports. Five Cities DBC is preparing to hold an IMP-points game for pairs in an effort to prepare newer players for participating in team events at ACBL tournaments.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned until 11:30 AM, Friday, September 13, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,
Bob Karriker
Unit 540 Secretary