

Minutes of Regular Meeting
San Luis Obispo Unit 540
August 10, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 11:40 AM, by Board President Gina Kirk. Present were Board members: Bill Ringbom, Fred Strong, Pat Hallock, Louise Abbott, George Sheffield, and Bill Woodson.

Consent Calendar:

Minutes of the July meeting were approved with the following correction. "The board approved giving \$500 to the San Luis club on behalf of the Paso Robles club. This money had previously been approved for the Morro Bay club. Morro Bay has since decided to purchase their own machine."

Financial Reports: Unit and Tournament. Treasurer Pat Hallock reviewed with the Board the July 2012 financial report, reflecting the Unit's bank balance of \$6886.26 for a net loss of \$402.50. Financial report was accepted

Old Business:

2013 Sectional Tournament Status/Next Steps:

ACBL wants our tournament schedule. Nancy Boyd has not been confirmed. We will have one partnership chair. Gina will ask Leda Fields. Lunch on Sunday will continue to be pizza. Cost with a soft drink will be \$4.00 Soft drinks will sell for \$.50

NAP Unit Game – August 11th:

You do not need to be qualified to play and you can't qualify by playing. We can have a 99er section, but cannot limit players to less than 99 points. We can only limit to <500 points and non-life masters

Pro-Am Game - August 18th:

Gina circulated a list of Pro-Am teams that Leda had put together. We currently have 15 tables. There will be a potluck. Leda is picking up a ham.

New Business:

Good Will Award:

Gina was contacted by ACBL to see if we have a candidate for this award. In conversation with Warren Cederborg, she learned that this award also exists at the district level. She recommended we submit Gary Yant name as a candidate. Strong support was given by the board. Gina will write up a submittal letter.

Stipend for Bill Donovan:

Bill has requested a stipend to attend an ACBL Director Course at Orange County Regional in September. Bill has signed our standard letter and has agreed to our terms.

Approved.

Central Coast Regional:

Charles Littlejohn had approached Bill Ringbom and said that he has contacts to get a room capable of holding 3000 people at the Chumash Casino for free. It would include free snacks and discounted room rates. Gina pursued this at the district and found out each district can only have four regionals. We could not have one unless Ventura cancels.

A lively discussion followed about the possibility of forming our own district including units in counties such as Fresno, Bakersfield, and Santa Barbara. Gina will initiate some informal conversations with other clubs. Bill W asked that we discuss this further at the next meeting.

Identifying/Recruiting Potential Board Members:

A short discussion followed to be continued at the next meeting. If you have suggestions, please contact Gina.

Club Activities:

Arroyo Grande – Bill Ringbom: No new news.

Morro Bay – Louise: MB is getting close to ordering our dealing machine. MB has had excellent lessons lately by both Jim Solomon and Gary Yant. MB is holding discussions on raising our fees from \$4 to \$5 to enhance our charity giving.

Paso Robles – Fred Strong: Paso is expecting a building management change Sep 1. They have been assured that the current agreements will not change. Paso donates \$1000 to \$1200 each year to charity.

San Luis Obispo – Bill Ringbom: No new news.

Meeting was adjourned at: 12:20.

Next board meeting will be Sep 28th at 11:45.

Respectfully submitted,

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