

Minutes of Regular Meeting
San Luis Obispo Unit 540
September 13, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 11:34 AM, by President Fred Strong. Present were Board members Bill Donovan, Gina Kirk, Pat Hallock, Bill Ringbom, Doris Dunn, Bob Clark and Charles Davis. Absent was board member Louise Abbott. Attending also was guest Gary Yant.

Open Meeting/Review Agenda. Fred Strong opened the meeting and reviewed the agenda items.

1. Minutes of August Meeting. The draft minutes from the August 9, 2013 meeting were reviewed, and a change was made to the section on the potential of changing districts from 22 to 21. The minutes were then approved by the board.
2. Financial Report. Pat Hallock reviewed the August Treasurer's Report, noting that the Unit had \$4913.52 in its checking account and \$3375.10 in its saving account, for a total balance of \$8391.09. After discussion, it was agreed to finalize the change of \$218.33 from income to a capital expense reimbursement during our October meeting, which will involve amending the June Treasurer's report. The change is for accounting purposes only and will not impact the bottom line balances.
3. Old Business
 - a. Change of District---Committee Report (facts, pros and cons). Fred Strong advised that the Committee, comprised of himself, board member Gina Kirk and Gary Yant had not prepared a report for this meeting inasmuch as the current petition had been withdrawn by its sponsors due to its failure to be in compliance with ACBL rules and procedures. After discussion it was agreed that the Committee would report to the Board in October whether or not there is an active petition. Bill Donovan asked for a clarification on the rules governing the establishment of district boundaries and Bob Clark asked for further discussion around the issue of whether Unit 540 wants/needs its own Regional.
4. New Business
 - a. In and Out Report significance. Gina Kirk explained what the report contains and how it allows us to monitor Unit membership and status changes. Gina and Doris Dunn are working on building up novice game attendance by using the Report to identify and outreach those Unit members with 0-199 MPs.
5. Club Activities:
 - a. Arroyo Grande – Doris briefed the Board on a BBQ open to all unit members at the club on October 19.
 - b. Morro Bay – In Louise's absence there was no report.
 - c. Paso Robles – Fred reported their senior center was under new management and was considering offering rubber and duplicate bridge lessons and that its rooms had soundproofing upgrades.

- d. San Luis Obispo – Bill Ringbom briefed the Board on the upcoming instant matchpoint game on October 2, which will offer gold points---the only opportunity members will have to earn them at the local level. They're hoping for up to 21 tables.
6. Next Meeting. Fred announced that our next meeting would be on Friday, October 11, 2013 at 11:30 AM.
7. Adjourn. Fred adjourned the meeting at 12:24 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Davis, Unit 540 Secretary