

UNIT 116 of ACBL Board Meeting Minutes

April 12, 2022 via Zoom 4:38-5:53 p.m.

Members present: John Bava, Sandra England, Joyce Greenspan, Barbara Landree, Barbara Libby and Kathy Pollock.

1. Amendment of minutes of March 1, 2022 board meeting. Barbara Landree indicated that she had not approved the February 15th, 2022 board minutes at our meeting of March 1st, 2022. Therefore, the vote to approve the February minutes at the March meeting was not unanimous and the minutes are hereby amended to reflect her comment. Following this amendment, the minutes of the March 1 meeting were approved without objection.
2. The treasurer's report was submitted and approved.
3. Barbara Libby reported that the downgraded sectional in April was well attended, successful and showed a profit.
 - a. Given that a few people took subs that they had not paid for, Barbara Libby urged that, in the future, the person handing out subs must check that everyone presents a payment ticket.
 - b. Kathy Pollock suggested that free plays for upcoming Unit games be given to the two youth players who arrived without teammates and to Jim McClure who was called in to try to make a team for them. Unfortunately, a fourth teammate could not be found and these 3 left without playing. The motion was approved and Kathy will generate the free plays for distribution.
4. Fall Sectional, Sept. 16-18, 2022
 - a. After discussion of possible locations and format. A motion was made to hold this event at the Main-Transit Fire Hall as a full competitive ACBL Unit event. The motion was passed with Barbara Libby abstaining.
 - b. Sandi England will update the information with the ACBL to include the agreed upon location, type of tournament, Chairperson Barbara Landree and Partnership Chair Kathy Pollock with their contact information, and Director in Charge Brian Meyer.
 - c. Running a separate limited game for players with 0-500 masterpoints will be decided upon at a later date.
 - d. Based on comments from the April Sectional, ice cold water will be made available throughout the tournament. Availability of cookies or other snacks will be determined by the Chairperson.
5. The location for the summer outing on August 14th, 2022 has not been determined. Barbara Libby has contacted the Lamm Post on Wehrle Drive and will be going there on April 13 to assess the suitability based on ACBL guidelines for handicap accessibility, lighting and space.
6. The NLM Sectional will be held from August 26-28 at the Airport Bridge Club.
7. Youth Program- Kathy Pollock reported that Jim Gullo is pursuing accompanying a group of youth players to the Summer NABC in Providence, RI if there is sufficient interest.

8. Mentoring Program is on hold until there is availability of a sufficient number of in-person games.
9. The player directory is being updated by Sandra England who received all existing materials from Judie Bailey. Judie has done a fantastic job keeping player information current for many years but is unwilling to continue with this task. The process of updating began at the April sectional and will continue throughout 2022. The board decided to include non-ACBL member local players. Printed copies will be available at Unit events for a fee to cover expenses and by e-mail upon request from listed players. It was decided to remove the directory from the Unit 116 Website.

The next meeting will be on May 11, 2022 at 2 p.m. at the Buffalo Bridge Center or, if that venue is unavailable, at an alternate location.

Submitted by Sandra England