

Minutes Unit 116 Western New York of the ACBL
Meeting of Board of Directors

January 6, 2017

Members present: Carol Bedell, Chip Kean, Betty Metz, Sue Neubecker, Tova Reinhorn, Denise Slattery, Paul Zittel; Guest, Dian Petrov

Members Absent: Jim Gullo, Gay Simpson

- The meeting was called to order by Betty Metz at 2:10pm.
- **Minutes** of Dec 16, 2016 were accepted.
- **Treasurer's report** noted a balance of \$14,493.69 as of 1/3/17; outstanding Site Deposits are \$1,950.00 through 12/2/2018.4.
- **Correspondence:** none

Committee Reports:

- **Mentoring:** Dian stated the 1st session is concluded with final payments to be up to 1/31/17. Total expected to be paid to mentors is expected to be less than \$800. \$683. Paid thus far. There were 27 pairs of mentors/mentees. New session is 1/1-6/30, mentors and mentees may contact him at dpetrov@roadrunner.com.
- **Website:** Dian reminded members that all information for website be sent to: webmaster@Unit116.com. For example, all flyers, sanction numbers and calendar information would be sent there.
- Sympathy. 3 cards were sent.
- Publicity: continues to be in contact with Dale Anderson and will add Beginner/Youth information
- **BUFF:** March 21 is deadline for Spring issue.
- **Education:** New classes for Youth are Sunday Jan 15 from 9:30am to 11:30 am @BCB. A Beginner class will be in Summer 2017. Transit Middle Scholl classes taught by Donna Steffan will have a 2nd session of 1 hour at the school.
- **Fifth Column:** Howard Foster will submit the next insert and Denise Slattery will continue thereafter.
- **Membership:** Quip Report received.

Old Business

- **January Sectional:** Order forms available for lunch from Polish Villa food truck. Having the form with payment ready will facilitate service. There are no pre-orders.
Dave Hemmer has volunteers to help him make up Boards for Swiss team game.
- **Audit Committee** will meet Friday January 13. Members are David Donaldson, Howard Foster, Elaine Kurasiewicz with Treasurer, Tova Reinhorn.

New Business

- **Shortened Lunch Break at Sectionals** was discussed. January, mostly because many players prefer to end early. Start times are 10:30 AM and 2:30 PM. We are planning to have the shorter lunch break for Spring Sectional as well and then gauge the advantage/disadvantage.
- **Spring Sectional Chairpersons** are Betty Metz and Denise Slattery.
- **Picnic Chairpersons** are Tova Reinhorn and Paul Zittel. Date is Sunday, August 20th @ North Tonawanda Rescue Fire Hall. Free plays will be given to anyone who volunteers for before, after and during game.
- **Non-Life Master Sectional** chairs are Chip Kean and Denise Slattery @BCB on Saturday May 20th, AM and PM pairs; Sunday May 21st, AM pairs and 1/2 session Swiss Teams. It is expected that many of the students from beginner classes @ BCB will be able and willing to attend.
- **Unit Games:** 3 of the 24 available will be kept for Unit activities (Picnic-2, Annual Meeting) plus 1 extra. The balance (20) will be set for a Spring and Fall week.
- **Office Max** discount card that is offered through ACBL will be put in the BUFF for all members.
- Paul suggested a formula for purchasing chicken, etc. for events. He suggests that for each purchaser the following be ordered:
 - 60% for the number of chicken pieces
 - 100% amount of coleslaw suggested
 - 80% amount of potatoes suggested
 - 60% number of rolls

Next Meeting: February 2nd @2:00pm @ BCB.

Adjourned @ 3:30 pm.

Submitted by Sue Neubecker, Secretary