

MINUTES OF ACBL UNIT 547 BOARD MEETING

June 8, 2023, at Temple Beth Torah (TBT)

Board Members Present: Margie Butler, Parker Mann, Kay Mendel, Mark Eckhout, Raeann Koerner, and Suzanne Brenner

Absent: Craig Kavin and Sue Houk

Guest: Lynda Forsyth and Bunny Raymond

Meeting was called to order at 10:35 a.m. by Margie Butler

Order of Business

Approval of Minutes – Motion was made by Raeann Koerner to approve the minutes from the May 11, 2023 meeting, and 2nd by Kay Mendel, M/S/A.

Treasurer's Report

Kay had previously emailed three reports:

Monthly Income and Expense

BBO Detail

TBT Detail

Parker Mann made a motion to accept the treasurer's report for May 2023, and 2nd by Raeann Koerner, M/S/A.

Club Operations and Management- Parker

Parker had previously emailed to board members:

Unit #547 In-and-Out Report

Unit #547 In-and-Out Transactions

Unit#547 Inactive Life Master List

Attendance Report

We are currently breaking even with our current attendance numbers.

There are three upcoming STAC Game weeks:

July 11-13, August 22-24, and November 14-16

It was discussed that we would like to offer a minimum of one Team Game and Pro/Am game per year. Parker will pick a date for our next Team Game.

It was clarified that board member terms are for two years, with 3 members to be elected every year, and that the board needs to consist of a minimum of 7 members.

Parker announced that he will not continue in his positions, Board Member and Club Manager, at the conclusion of his term. Margie is going to make inquiries about a possible new club manager for the future.

Old Business

Bridge Mates – Mark reported that there is no new information regarding the bridge mates; but he will attempt to reach Dave White again.

New Business

Mike Gaddis Memorial – Suzanne Brenner made a motion, and it was unanimously agreed by the board to allocate not to exceed \$400.00 to have an obituary submitted to the Ventura Star as a tribute for Mike's contribution to our Unit. We would like one photo to be included in the obituary. Margie will work with Jody Shapiro to create the information that will be submitted.

Mike Gaddis Duties- Margie will make inquiries to possibly find someone who might be interested in the responsibility of "door duty" – greeting our members at the door from 11:45-12:30, in turn for a free play. Directors will be responsible for getting out any supplies necessary for their game. Lynda Forsyth and Kay Mendel will be responsible for making the coffee for each game day, rather than the director as was discussed last month.

New Partnership Chair – at this time we will not fill this position. The GP program has been successful.

Bunny Raymond shared feedback from players participating in the limited games. There is an interest in playing more boards so that the points earned can be increased. 18 boards are required to achieve a higher point amount. The board discussed and agreed to the following options:

Wednesday –199'er game (18-21 boards) - \$5.00 (Instead of a shortened game 12-17 boards).

Thursday – 499'er game - \$5.00 (18-21 boards) (This is a change from the current \$6.00)

A Newcomer game – 0-20 points, a sanctioned game, with supervised play, can begin when 3 tables can be filled. Don and Anne Klein are developing that potential group.

Tournament Supplies -Discussion as to how to best have supplies available for club and tournament use. There is a box that should contain all necessary supplies that a director would need for their game. And this box should also be available to a Tournament Director for an off-site game. Consumable supplies should equally be available for all games and replenished as

necessary. Margie, as the Director Liaison, is responsible for the day-to-day needs of the club/directors; the Tournament Director is responsible for tournament needs.

Mark – Provided an update on current activities in Camarillo, suggesting that at some point in time a game in Camarillo would be a possibility again.

Theme Game – August 12 in Camarillo will be an Ice Cream Social. It was agreed that Susan Lang should decide the time for the event since she is responsible for the event. Suzanne Brenner will make her aware and ask that she let the board know of her decision. If it is not to be a morning game, Parker will need to check with ACBL if this is possible. The room at the Senior Center is not reserved currently.

Margie Butler, President, adjourned the meeting at 12:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Suzanne Brenner, Secretary