

Unit 547 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 7, 2025
Temple Beth Torah

Board Members Present: Raeann Koerner, Kay Mendel, Suzanne Brenner, Gerri Knilans, Gary Ansok, and Jim Wall.

Absent: Craig Kavim

The meeting was called to order by Raeann Koerner at 11:05 a.m..

Old/Continuing Business

Approval of Minutes - A motion was made by Kay Mendel to approve the minutes from September 8, 2025 and 2nd by Jim Wall, M/S/A.

Treasurer's Report (Kay Mendel)

Prior to our meeting Kay had sent her report to the board. In summary:

Sheet 1: Monthly Income and Expense

We had a gain for the month of \$263. This includes a \$100 donation from Michael Boucher (plays in the newbie group) and an additional \$100 expense paid to Chris Gillmon for the extra work directing the team game day (authorized by Rae Ann).

Sheet 2: TBT detail:

We had a gain for the month of \$76.

A motion was made to accept the Treasurer Report by Gerri Knilans, and 2nd by Jim Wall, M/S/A.

Director Liaison Report (Gary)

Gary confirmed that he had passed the exam in order to qualify to direct at a local sectional game. Gary is going to speak with Chris to see if he has also passed a recent director exam. Gary will contact Alex Fuerher about his potential interest in becoming a director.

Club Operations & Management (Jim Wall)

Prior to the meeting Jim sent to the board the most recent Attendance Report and Unit 547 In and Out Report.

Jim also discussed our recent Team Game, and that the 299 players had been included in the Flight C game. Attendance was good for the team game.

The November calendar games have been scheduled. There was discussion about having another Team Game in November due to the possibility for qualifications for the Grand National Team qualifications, but it was decided to not pursue another team game at this time. It was determined that we will attempt to plan to have a Team Game every quarter in 2026, with our next game will be in January. It was also noted that having an early start time, 12:00 PM, was significant. It was also discussed that for many of the newer players understanding how the scoring works for a team game might prove to be helpful in the future.

Saturday/Sunday Game (Raeann)

We discussed what had been agreed to at last month's meeting - that Mark would pursue an agreement with the Camarillo Park and Recreation Department for us to begin having a Saturday beginning in January 2026, with the understanding that it could be possible that we may incur a financial loss, but we believe it is worth learning if the game may be viable. Raeann will call Mark to inquire about the current status of the situation.

Birthday Celebration

The October birthday celebration will be held on October 21, 2025.

Mentoring program

Mentor/Mentee Game Nov. 11, 2025

It was decided that we were not prepared to hold the Mentor/Mentee game on November 11th, and we will discuss at the next meeting how we wish to proceed. We need to determine if the Mentor/Mentee game will be a stand alone event, separate from the Mentor Program that we had planned to begin in January of 2026, or if they will potentially be tied together.

Suzanne had prepared a sign-up form as a possible tool to utilize for the Mentor / Mentee game.

New Business

Set the next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be on November 18, 2026 at 11:00 am.

Ventura Halloween Regional

Sign-up Sheet for Volunteers

Sign-up Sheet for beginners/intermediate players looking for partners and/or

Teammates

Mark was not able to attend, so Raeann will contact Mark.

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Mark had planned to make inquiries about this process; Raeann will contact Mark for more information.

Member Issue - (Raeann)

After discussion, it was decided that Raeann and Jim would provide the member with the necessary information for the member to be able to be in contact with potential assistance for their needs, rather than have the board continue to act as a go-between.

Review Board Member duties/responsibilities

Raeann had sent to the board prior to the meeting the ACBL job descriptions and had asked for all members to review their listed responsibilities. After discussion, it was determined that we would like to have a current copy of our by-laws to be able to compare the two listings. We will discuss again, and determine if any changes need to be made to our by-laws.

Challenges for 2026 (Gerri)

We did not have time to discuss in detail, and will be discussed in the future. It was suggested that we should create a calendar for our events for the year.

Additional topics:

December 17 game day will begin at 12:00 due to a Temple conflict

December 24th may be open for a game, TBD.

December 25 the Temple will be closed, so no game that day.

Bunny agreed to be responsible for our Nominating Committee. We do need a copy of our by-laws to understand the specifics for our nominating committee. We want to pursue this so that we will be prepared for our Annual Meeting in January of 2026.

The Holiday Party, a pot-luck event, will be on December 18th.

Next meeting

Will be held on November 18, 2025.

Raeann Koerner, President, adjourned the meeting at 12:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Suzanne Brenner, Secretary.