

## MINUTES OF ACBL UNIT 547 BOARD MEETING

July 9, 2020

### Theme: Bridge for Everyone

Present: Rose Buckley, Dennis Charles, Mark Eckhout, Larry Pelletier, Lorraine Salvatore, Josh Rosenbluth, Parker Mann, Barry Brenner, Charles Clark, Susan Lang, Jody Shapiro and Barbara Fitzgerald.

- 1) Rose called the Zoom meeting to order at 10:05 am.
- 2) The Board meeting minutes of 6-11-2020 were reviewed. Mark moved that they be approved, Parker seconded. Approved.
- 3) Charles Clark, Treasurer, reported that the unit was doing well financially. Our net revenue was up \$230 in June 2020, even though the Monday game is barely breaking even and director fees are now \$60, up from \$50 as approved in an email vote. There were minor discrepancies between the director's written reports of table counts and the number of substitutes, on one hand, and the results reported by ACBL. Larry mentioned there were only 4 tables on Monday 11:45 game, so Susan will help publicize this game. Josh moved that the Treasurer's Report be approved and Larry seconded. All voted in favor.
- 4) Charles next opened discussion of his "Financial Policy No. 1, Regarding Asset Disposals and Reimbursed Expenditures", which he had emailed prior to the Board meeting. It was noted that tournaments and the Annual Meeting have their own budgets. It was agreed that policy section 2.a, Buying Consumables, be raised from \$30 to \$50. An aggregate cost of \$150 shall be subject only to the basic standard. If Board advanced Board approval is not practical, the expenditure shall be fully reimbursed with approval of the Unit's President and Treasurer, or when only one of them approves, advanced approval by any 3 members of the Board. Charles thanked Josh for his help in wordsmithing this policy. Larry moved for approval and Parker seconded. All voted in favor.
- 5) Barry presented a discussion of club operations and management. He stated it was the consensus of unit leadership is that now is not the time to add extra games. Rose attends BBO meetings every 2 weeks and said that robot pairs are being used, particularly in '49er limited master point games, where there are not enough pairs available. Mark brought up the issue of slow play. Rose will bring this matter to the Director's meeting. The Unit Secretary was called out for finally getting caught in leaving our President off his minute's distribution list (after the meeting, Dennis did invest 10 minutes in his Google contact list and figuring out how to add Rose to the Bridge Board list).
- 6) Susan asked about the monthly District 22 Forum newsletter. The District has a new and improved website: [www.d22acbl.com](http://www.d22acbl.com), where the Forum can be accessed.
- 7) **Our next Board meeting will be August 13, 2020, at 10 am.**

Respectfully submitted: Dennis Charles, Secretary