

MINUTES OF ACBL UNIT 547 BOARD MEETING

February 11, 2021 via Zoom

Theme: Bridge for Everyone

Present: Rose Buckley, Dennis Charles (for past minutes), Mark Eckhout, Larry Pelletier, Lorraine Salvatore, Parker Mann, Jody Shapiro, Barbara Fitzgerald, Charles Clarke, Margie Butler and Doug Hahn.

- 1) Rose called the Zoom meeting to order at 10:36 a.m.
- 2) Rose asked new board members, Margie Butler and Doug Hahn, to introduce themselves and give a brief background on their 'bridge careers'. All other attending members in turn introduced themselves.
- 3) The minutes of the 12-10-2020, Board meeting were reviewed. It was moved that they be approved. It was seconded. All were in favor of approval. (MSA = Moved, seconded and approved)
- 4) The minutes of the 1-14-2021 Annual Meeting were reviewed. MSA
- 5) Charles presented the financial statement for January 2021. Charles noted that the yearly ACBL rebates were received this January. It was noted the costs for the 42 (\$20) gift cards given in lieu of dinners at the annual meeting have not been entered as yet. MSA
- 6) Election of Board Officers for 2021 was chaired by Rose.
 - a) **President – Lorraine Salvatore**
 - b) **Vice-President – Margie Butler**
 - c) **Secretary – Doug Hahn**
 - d) **Treasurer – Charles Clarke**
 - e) Rose offered support and mentorship in an unofficial role as 'Past President'
- 7) Rose offered Lorraine the chair to the remainder of the meeting. Lorraine deferred and allowed Rose to close out the meeting as chair.
- 8) Delegation of responsible areas of the Board's activities:
 - a) **Email Coordinator – Parker Mann**
 - b) **Membership Chair – Barbara Fitzgerald (BJ)**
 - c) **I/N Coordinator – Mark Eckhout**
 - d) **Webmaster – Parker (Larry Pelletier will be helping)**
 - e) **Mentoring Program – Larry** Intermediate players (who may be interested in having an advanced player mentor them) are encouraged to mentor beginners through BBO casual games.
 - f) **Director Coordinator – Rose Buckley**
 - g) **Game supplies – Rosemary Reitz**
 - h) **Education Coordinator – Raeann Koerner**
 - i) **Audit Committee – Parker and Margie**
 - j) **Weekly Unit Newsletter – Rose**
 - k) **Bridge Buzz – Jody Shapiro**
 - l) **Virtual Step-up Classes – Rose**

m) Tournament Coordinator - Josh Rosenbluth

n) Publicity Chair – Jody

o) Education Chair – Raeann

p) Special Games Coordinator and Hospitality Chair positions were deferred for later assignment prior to in-person games being restarted.

9) Unit Business:

a) The Mini-McKenny / Ace of Clubs awards need to be scheduled. A virtual Zoom meeting like the annual meeting was discussed. Lorraine should auto-receive the Certificates from ACBL. Medals would have to be purchased separately. A discussion of how to present the awards will be added to the next meeting's agenda.

b) The BBO fees for the 99er and 499er games was reduced to \$4 (effective immediately). MSA

c) The Board Members and their phone numbers are to be included in the front of the Unit Phone Directory. MSA

d) Discussion on continuing BBO virtual games after we start in-person play was deferred till next meeting.

Respectfully submitted: Douglas Hahn, Secretary