MINUTES OF ACBL UNIT 547 BOARD MEETING

August 12, 2021 at Temple Beth Torah and via Zoom

"Bridge for Everyone"

Present: At Temple Beth Torah: Larry Pelletier, Margie Butler, Barry Brenner, Parker Mann, Josh Rosenblaugh, Kay Mendel and Doug Hahn. Lorraine Salvatore, Rose Buckley, Jody Shapiro, and Diane Gunther joined us via Zoom.

1) Lorraine called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. She welcomed our new Treasurer, Kay Mendel, to our board.

Old Business

- 2) The minutes of the 7-8-2021 Board Meeting were reviewed. Parker moved that they be approved. It was seconded by Larry. All were in favor of approval. (MSA = Moved, seconded and approved).
- 3) Kay presented the financial statement for July 2021. It was discussed that office supplies needed for conducting board business can be reimbursed within established guidelines. Larry moved for the approval of the July statements. MSA
- **4)** Club Operations and Management. Barry began by noting club/unit calendars need to reflect pending start time changes and dates of operation in Camarillo. A discussion on these topics ensued.

The search/negotiations for a venue in Camarillo are still in progress, with setbacks.

Larry moved that the Ventura games at Temple Beth Torah (TBT) start at 12:30 in lieu of 11:30 commencing August 31st pending approvals of TBT, ACBL and the Common Game or contingently starting September 1st. MSA Lorraine will call Nancy at TBT.

The August calendar needs an edit to show the NAP game. Barry will forward information to Parker.

Larry moved to discontinue the Wednesday 3:30 PM on-line games. MSA The weekend BBO games are still successful.

- 5) Face to Face Working Group. Margie reported that the Camarillo venue costs may be increasing. No decision was made on raising fees. Attendance at TBT games is OK. The challenge is scheduling with a limited pool of director's.
- 6) Josh reported that the Valentine Sectional will held February 12, 2022 at the Camarillo Senior Center (Mark Eckhout is a resident of Camarillo and is authorized by the board to sign an agreement with the venue.) The Strawberry Sectional will be held April 8-10, 2022 at Cross Point Church. The Unit 547 Annual Meeting is set for the last Saturday of January

2022 (January 29th). Parker moved to approve paying the venue's increased fee of \$700. Last year the fee was \$600.

- 7) Set up for the TBT Tuesday game was discussed. Free play for one individual helping will be offered. Mike Gaddis will be asked to coordinate and recruit helper(s).
- 8) Meeting was adjourned at 11:23.

Respectfully submitted: Douglas Hahn, Secretary