

ACBL UNIT 116 BOARD MINUTES
NOVEMBER 1, 2024
RUTH WURSTER'S HOME

President Larry Abate called the meeting to order at 10:35 A.M. Also present were Rajat Basu, John Bava, Sandra England, Joyce Greenspan and Ruth Wurster. There were some typos in the previous minutes, corrected and approved.

John presented the treasurer's report which showed a balance of \$17,366.78. A discussion followed about how to use the extra funds. There was no final decision. However, the treasurer's report was approved.

December 7, 2024 is the date for the annual meeting to be held at Buffalo Bridge Center. John and Larry will chair the meeting which will begin at 11 A.M., followed by lunch and the game. Cost is \$15 which includes a platter of assorted sandwiches from Firehouse Subs. Terry Fraas will get the hands, John and Larry will deal, and Art Morth will direct. Agenda for the meeting is:

Approval of the minutes from last year

Treasurer's report

Remembering deceased members

Celebrating rank advancements for members

Sandi suggested that we add another person to the Board. She and Joyce will call people who were suggested.

Discussion followed about a change in venue. There is concern about the parking lot, especially in winter. There is an additional cost now for turning off the security in the kitchen on Saturday and Sunday when we host sectionals, and we're no longer able to use the kitchen for making coffee and rinsing out the coffeepots. Because of that Larry will be working on an alternate solution for providing coffee at Unit events.

Rent for the BBC is increasing, and Betty Metz has asked the Unit for an increase of 10%, raising our fees to \$3300 instead of \$3000, for Unit events in 2025. We pay 1/2 in January and 1/2 in July. The Unit requests the use of the front room for serving meals like the picnic and the annual meeting. John moved to pay the increase and Raj seconded. Approved.

Sandi mentioned that she thinks the Unit has a microphone which could be used for Unit events. ONLY the director of the game and the person making announcements would use it. The director should also be the ONLY person to make strat and table assignments.

The meeting was adjourned at 12 noon, followed by a potluck lunch.

Respectfully submitted
Ruth Wurster
Recording Secretary