

ACBL Unit 143 Board Meeting Minutes, February 9, 2022

Location: The meeting was conducted on-line using ZOOM.

Attendees: Dennis Abeln, Mark Boswell, Don Chase, Maureen Curran, Terry D'Amato, Diane Deutch, Ken Obrecht, John Welte, Kelly White, Mark Zellmer,

Absent: Jan Potts

The meeting was called to order by President John Welte at 7:05 PM. Ten board members were in attendance, satisfying quorum requirements of six.

The minutes from the two December board meetings were approved as submitted.

The treasurer's report had been previously submitted by email. The report was approved as submitted.

Kelly reported that the income tax return for fiscal year ending Sept 31 2021 had been submitted to the IRS. Kelly also reported that the annual financial report has been posted on the unit website.

Terry reported that ACBL's restructuring of their website had caused many broken links on the Unit 143 website. She has been working to fix this. She asked to be notified of any broken links people find.

Kelly reported that email notifications of awards had been sent by email. Actual awards will be presented at the May Sectional.

John presented charts showing COVID-19 cases are dropping off. Mark Zellmer reported Johns Hopkins data is showing the same thing.

Mark Zellmer moved to defer a decision on holding the May Sectional until the March board meeting. The motion was seconded and passed without objection.

John led a discussion on the I/N tournament scheduled for March 26 and 27.

A motion was made to proceed with the I/N tournament. Motion passed with one objection.

A motion was made to set the entry fee at \$5 per event. Motion passed with 2 objections and 1 abstention.

A motion was made to set the master point limits at 0-499, with a separate concurrent section on Saturday morning for 0-100 players. Motion passed without objection.

John will confirm the availability of the St Louis Bridge Center and negotiate their fees.

Phyllis Siegel has agreed to be director.

Publicity will be handled by sending emails.

Mark Zellmer will make arrangements for someone to explain Swiss game structure and movements 15 minutes prior to the start of the Swiss session on Sunday.

No caddies needed.

Hospitality will be limited to beverages and prepackaged treats. No finger food.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 pm.

Submitted by Secretary Dennis Abeln March 8, 2022.