

## UNIT 479 BOARD MEETING

### MINUTES

**April 15, 2023**

Present: Directors: Betsy Ovitt, Ned Forman, Susie Leo, Doug Berg, John Thomas, and Joyce Spence; Club, District and Regional Representation: Dennis Harms, Don Marsh, Sherri Morgan; Absent: Ed Mout, Carole Schmitz:

Board Meeting in person and via Zoom was called to order a 1:11 PM by President Betsy Ovitt.

Discussion and Consensus on returning to Zoom meetings on second Sundays, 8a.m.  
Next meeting will be Sunday. May 14, 8 a.m.

Minutes for March 12 were approved.

Treasurer's report for March was approved. The Unit's nonprofit status was renewed in March. The 990-N was filed with the IRS in March. Georgette Silber has reviewed the books and found them in good shape.

#### Old Business:

- Ali Nice will organize the food for sectional with help from Denis Gudger
  - Action Item: Ali Nice and Denise Gudger
- Recruiting for Younger players: WE are starting by promoting BridgeWhiz and will start working at schools in the fall. Ned spoke with Albert Bender from the Bay Area about BridgeWhiz and using Peach Jar. We are addressing middle school and high schools. After initial rejection from Springfield, Ned will work to generate interest there. We are also looking at working with after school programs. Kay Madison and Marna have been vetted and can now go into 4J schools. Bev will contact Oak Hill. Susie has volunteered to work on a contact from Springfield.
  - Action Item: Ned Forman and committee
- Increasing Our Numbers: Betsy is sending out a survey for our members who are currently not playing. Survey monkey does not allow comments without a significant charge. Units would like to use ACBL survey magic, what are possible ramifications?
- Transition: Don and Sherri have a transition manual. IF the club has no other buyers, the unit could buy and hire a manager.

#### New Business

- ACBL survey results: several were surprised at the split. Vaccinations are no longer required; requirement needs to be pulled off the website

Report from the District

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- Dennis reports that Julie Ratley (Redding) is putting energy into getting people out. Kevin and Sherri are working on it at PBC.
- Encourage folks to look at the D20 Declarer
- Doug will research costs for FB ads, please encourage FB users to follow EBC's FB page.
- 3 Roles of a Unit:
  - Attract New Members
  - Support the Club
  - Promote Sectional/Regionals

Next meeting May 14, 2023, 8 a.m. on Zoom

Meeting adjourned at 1:54p.m.