

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors

District 2, ACBL

April 17, 2014

(Agenda A)

MINUTES of the Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of District 2 of the American Contract Bridge League held at the International Plaza Hotel, 655 Dixon Road, Toronto, Ontario on April 17, 2014 at 10:30 a.m..

PRESENT: David Halasi 166 Shirley Galler 181
 Gunnar Kristiansen 212 Larry Hansen 228
 Brian Thomas 238 Linda Lord 246
 Tom Ramsay 249

PROXY: Sharon Berghaus 166 Andrew Risman 166
 Wiebe Hoogland 166 Doug Fisher 181

A quorum of Directors being present (in person or by proxy), the meeting is regularly constituted.

Also present: Paul Janicki, District 2 Director
 Gary Westfall, Auditor
 Flo Belford, Executive Assistant

The President, Brian Thomas took the chair, and Flo Belford acted as Secretary.

1. Approval of Minutes

a) **Moved** by Tom Ramsay, seconded by Shirley Galler,
That the minutes of the Agenda Planning Committee meeting held on March 29, 2013 be accepted. **Carried**

b) **Moved** by Tom Ramsay, seconded by Linda Lord,
That the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors meeting held on March 29, 2013 be accepted. **Carried**

2. Financial Statements

The financial statements were presented.

Moved by Tom Ramsay, seconded by David Halasi,

That we dispense with the reading of the auditor's letter. **Carried**

Moved by Tom Ramsay, seconded by Francis Gaudino,

That the Statement of Financial Position of the Corporation as of December 31, 2013 and the statement of income and net assets for the year ended on the said date be and the same are hereby approved and adopted, and any two of the Directors be and they are hereby authorized to evidence such approval on behalf of the Board by signing the said Statement of Financial Position.

Carried

3. Remuneration of Auditor

Moved by Tom Ramsay, seconded by David Halasi,

That the sum of \$500.00 be paid to G. J. Westfall for acting as auditor of the Corporation for the year ended December 31, 2013.

Carried

4. Other Business

- There was a discussion regarding the entry fee for youth players at Regional tournaments. Paul Janicki advised that under 16 should be \$1.00, and 16 – 25 should be no more than 50% of entry fee.
- There was a discussion and suggestion that the web movement be used at tournaments, particularly Flight A events (This movement allows all the players to play the same boards) Suggestion was made that the District develop a policy stating that whenever feasible the web movement should be used for Flight A pairs at tournaments.

Action: Linda Lord will send out information to the board members regarding the web movement.

- There was a discussion regarding the sharing of profit by all the units from the Nationals.
- Suggestion that there be a subsidy to units holding a regional within 2 months of the Toronto national.
- Tom Ramsay advised that the I/N attendance at their tournaments has increased.
- Francis Gaudino advised that they have 12 tables of 0 – 5 players.
- Paul Janicki's report was included in the meeting package. Some questions were asked:
 - What is Youth Protection and Abuse Prevention Policy – policy to ensure youth are protected when involved with ACBL activities

- Why are special games being eliminated – ACBL felt they were not profitable. Points raised in discussion were they are not expensive to run, and they need to be more publicized. Paul advised that he will support not eliminating the special games
- The issue of pairing at Swiss Teams events was dealt with by the Board of Directors. Pairing will not take place before matches are completed.

4. Annual Meeting of Members

Moved by David Halasi, seconded by Shirley Galler,
That the Annual Meeting of the Members of the Corporation be held at the International Plaza Hotel, 655 Dixon Road, Toronto, Ontario on April 17, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.. Carried

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Chairperson

Secretary of the Meeting