

ACBL Unit 239 Board of Directors Meeting January 8, 2016

The meeting was called to order at Jameson's in Sun City, Huntley, IL, at 6pm.

Members present: Marilyn Croft, John Pree, Neil Whittle, Roland Brabant, Lu Jenkins, Doug St. John, Ron Kohn, Ron Hopman and Kay Korte

Minutes: The September 26, 2015, minutes were approved with minor corrections. Pree moved and St. John seconded the motion.

Treasurer's Reports: Whittle presented the Balance Sheet for the current fiscal year as of 12/31/2015, a summary of our 4 Fidelity Funds, and the Turkey Bowl report. All were approved by the Board. St John moved and Kohn seconded.

Turkey Bowl: Pree reported the rent will be less than \$1900 for the next tournament. Pree needs more volunteers. Kudos to John Pree for his work on this tournament.

Annual Meeting: We need a director. Marilyn is working on that. 45 tables will be the maximum. Invitations will be mailed at the end of February.

Nominating Committee: Pree will chair the committee. Kohn, Hopman, St. John and Whittle are up for election at the end of the current fiscal year 6/30/2016.

Post Cards for Free Plays: Marilyn was planning to look into a mailing service, but Pree volunteered to handle it.

Regional Volunteers: Korte will not be available the whole tournament. Jan Koerner will help when Korte is not available. She will receive free plays on the days she works.

Rockford Tournaments: Both the May and September tournaments have been cancelled by Tebala because of scheduling conflicts. (They can make more money on Saturday weddings.) After negotiation, it was agreed to hold our tournaments on Sunday thru Tuesday. The rate for 2016 will be \$800. We will get contracts.

Postcards for New Players: After a lot of discussion about what we could do to get new players, it was decided to give them free plays for the 0-49 event at our Regional. Marilyn will design a card. They will be dispensed at various sites where new players are getting lessons or playing in limited games.

Regional: We will continue to give cups for section firsts with the goal of getting rid of them. We will also continue with trophies for the 299er's. We will also raffle free plays as we did last year as that was a hit. We need to think about a special game for novices at our next regional. That will need to be scheduled this spring.

Agenda Item for Next Meeting: Number of tournaments.

Next Board Meeting: April 9th after the Membership Game.

The meeting was adjourned at 8PM.

Kay Korte, Secretary