

SBU Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting held: March 8, 2021, at 5:00 p.m., via Zoom teleconference

Board members in attendance: JC, Susan, Tom B, Cliff, Bill, Scott, Karen, Tom L, David D, Aidan, Jeff F., Gene G.

Board members absent: None

Also present: Ann Romeo

Board members indicated with an * joined the meeting late and were not present for asterisked votes.

1. SUMMARY OF MOTIONS

Ref	Motion	Moved By	Seconded By	Vote Result
	Approve the minutes of the February meeting as revised	D.Dailey	Tom B	Carried
	Having received one submission for role of District 19 representative, Ann Romeo spoke of her candidacy and answered questions. May require succession planning for her role as tourney chair. Motion to confirm Ann.	JC	Susan	Carried

2. SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS

2.1. ACTIONS ON HOLD

Action	Assigned To
Consider possible increase in entry fee for Unit tournaments.	Deferred until after it is known when sectional can resume

2.2. ACTIONS CONTINUING

Action	Assigned To
David went to Roger's place on 2/2. Trailer is on solid cement pad. Tires fine, some dampness and mold in left rear corner req'd moving some boxes. expired tags to be renewed after 5/21.	David D/Tom B
Develop recommendations for ways to welcome newcomers to the Unit and to recognize achievements such as rank advancement. Karen to present recommendation at February meeting.	Tom L and Karen
Bylaw review committee had it's 1st meeting 2/27 and identified areas of interest. Committee to continue meeting on a monthly basis.	JC
Finalize Welcome Packet for Board approval.	Karen & Committee
Establish Mentoring sign up list for inclusion in Welcome Packet.	Ann
Automate distribution of Welcome Packet upon completion.	JC
The remaining action items from February have been completed.	

2.3. NEW ACTIONS

Action	Assigned To
Contact ACBL re guidance on 2021 Sectionals.	JC
Pulse Bothell re Fall 2021 Sectional availability and other venues for 2022 events.	Ann
Informally contact Clubs re 2021 plans and inputs for Unit.	Cliff
Curate membership list to use as basis for email survey.	David
Develop content of email survey for Board approval.	David w/assist from Cliff and Karen
Finalize terms of participation and publicize Round Robin for May 22/23 target and inclusion in the Sun.	Jeff/Scott/Ann

3. SUMMARY OF AGENDA AND DISCUSSION

3.1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

On motion by D.Dailey, seconded by Tom B, the revised minutes of February meeting were approved unanimously.

3.2. TREASURER'S REPORT

Tom B sent separate report to Board by email. Balance on hand is \$55,819.83.

3.3. HOMESTYLE SWISS - REALBRIDGE UPDATE

A request for volunteers to act as Director for the monthly 3 hour event resulted in Jeff, Scott and D.Dailey agreeing to share the role.

3.4. SWEETHEART WEEKEND TOURNAMENT

While the teams event went well, turnout was disappointing with only 9 teams vs 24 last May. Announcements may have been confusing and last minute conflict with Eastlake pairs game developed.

3.5. REVIEW MEMBERSHIP DATA

A detailed discussion ensued from the data presented by JC and David. It was highlighted that loss of membership was heavily weighted towards Rookie and Jr Masters. After some discussion, it was deemed more appropriate to curate the list and then send out an email survey to uncover issues and interests of former and inactive members.

Suggestions for input into the Welcome Letter to incoming Unit members included mentioning Clubs and their Directors/Managers by name and location, referencing the Unit's jurisdiction as 'Greater Seattle' rather than Seattle or King County, include info re teachers (create webpage for teachers) and ref hospitality Board members by name (Karen and Tom B.)

3.6. ADDITIONAL VIRTUAL TOURNAMENTS & UNIT GAMES

Given the acceleration of vaccines, the Board discussed the possible return to ftf club games and what guidance the ACBL might offer regarding Sectionals. If it were at all feasible for a 2021 Sectional it would have to be in the 10/1 to 11/15 timeframe and likely in Bothell. JC to follow up with ACBL and Ann to pulse Bothell re availability. Cliff to informally talk with Clubs about their plans for 2021 and suggestions for the Unit.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for **5:00 p.m. on February 1, 2021 via Zoom.**

Respectfully submitted,

Cliff Feldman, Secretary