

SBU Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting held: August 2, 2021, at 5:00 p.m., via Zoom teleconference

Board members in attendance: JC, Susan, Cliff, Bill, Scott, David, Aidan, Jeff, Gene, Tom L. and Karen. Not Present: T. Brown. Also present: Ann Romeo, Tim White, David Johnson

1. Summary of Motions

Ref	Motion	Moved By	Seconded By	Vote Result
	Approve the June meeting minutes.	Jeff	Bill	Carried unanimously

2. Actions on Hold

Action	Assigned To
Consider possible increase in Sectional entry fee in light of rising costs.	Deferred until after the next live Sectional is held.
Renew Trailer tags.	David/Tom B Deferred until 2 months before trailer is to be used
Consider incentives (possibly survey C-level members) to see what would work to get a sufficient numbers of teams for a C-level bracket in next summer's Round Robin	October Board Mtg

3. Actions Continuing

Action	Assigned To
How to run a Sectional, planning checklist and other resources to be documented for full Board.	JC, Ann
Informally contact Clubs for updates to Club pages on Unit website.	Cliff
Bylaw review committee had it's 1st meeting 2/27 and identified areas of interest. Followed up with committee as to preferences on how to proceed.	JC

Finalize Welcome Packet for Board approval. Develop recommendations for ways to welcome newcomers to the Unit and to recognize achievements such as rank advancement.	Karen & Committee (see two actions to update Website.)
Automate distribution of Welcome Packet upon completion. Subject to completion of above.	JC
Develop content of email survey for Board approval. See Motion to delay and Action to obtain full District 19 results.	David w/assist from Cliff and Karen
Partnership alias to be created on BIS.org.	JC
Curate membership list to use as basis for email survey. Subject to completion of above. Report on Membership monthly	David
Obtain full District 19 survey results. Waiting for top line results.	Ann
Recover \$500 deposit made for Suntan Sectional from Kent site.	Ann
Document how the Home Style Swiss games were managed.	Scott
The remaining action items from June have been completed.	

4. New Actions

Action	Assigned To
Sun Blast by Weds August 4th to include Mentor/Mentee game.	JC
Plan live events for the rest of 2021, including Mentor/Mentee game and Team event.	Tournament Committee
Ann has collected a list of people willing to partner. How and where to maintain this is still an open issue, but to be distributed to Clubs as is.	Ann
Re-develop and maintain Facebook page for unit.	Aidan

5. Summary of Agenda Discussion

5.1 Approval of June Meeting Minutes

Approved without revision.

5.2 Treasurer's Report

Tom B. unable to attend. JC reported accounts 'healthy.'

5.3 Membership Update

David reported that the Unit membership was up five from last month to 1,361 which is down 150 from its peak. Approximately 6k members in the District.

Under New Business, Cliff reported a request from a Unit member for an annual directory of unit membership. Privacy issues inhibit doing this in an effective or efficient manner.

5.4 Publicity Update

JC reported nothing unusual since June meeting. Sun Blast to be released August 4th.

5.5 Elections

Nominee for disciplinary committee sent to D19. Eric Seig's term as representative to D19 for our unit ends this year, nominations for him to continue or be replaced is required by EOY.

Presentations, followed by Q&A, made by two nominees (Tim White and David Johnson) to represent our newly consolidated district on the ACBL Board.

The terms of Board members JC Chupack, Susan Cothorn, David Dailey and Tom Land expire this year. Dailey and Land indicated plans to run again, while JC and Susan (Pres and VP respectively) will not be running. Gene Gousie agreed to chair election committee to seek new candidates with support from Aidan and Karen. It was confirmed that the Zoom format for meetings will continue. The Board has the discretion to vote to change as may be necessary.

5.6 Unit Events

Scott reported one signup so far for the Mentor/Mentee game to be held face to face at the SBC on Saturday, August 28th. To be further publicized.

Ann reported that the EBC is available for a unit sponsored team event possibly Friday, Sept 24 or sometime in October. Friday evenings or Sundays are possible at a cost of \$100 to EBC. It would be desirable to find someone to direct that knows EBC's systems.

5.7 Tournament Schedule & Sites for 2022

Ann reported the Kent is out as a site for the Sweetheart tourney, but will check on Shoreline. Discussion followed about cutting to 2 days or a STAC as an alternative.

5.8 Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 13, 2021 at **5:00 p.m. via Zoom.**

5.10 New Business

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7 pm

Respectfully submitted, Cliff Feldman, Secretary