

SBU Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting held: October 3, 2021, at 5:00 p.m., via Zoom teleconference

Board members in attendance: JC, Susan, Cliff, Bill, Scott, David, Aidan, Jeff, Gene, Tom L., T. Brown and Karen. Also present: Ann Romeo

1. Summary of Motions

Ref	Motion	Moved By	Seconded By	Vote Result
	Approve the September meeting minutes.	JC	Tom B.	Carried unanimously
	Plan to hold February Sectional at SBC and EBC pending club approvals.	JC	Karen	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 (survey C-level members?) to see how to get a sufficient numbers of teams for a C-level bracket in next summer's Round Robin	Board

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 its 1st meeting 2/27 and identified areas of interest. D.Dailey also volunteered to help based on his prior experience. JC to forward materials to new chair.	Tom L.
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
Contact individual interested in joining the Board.	Elections Comm
Recover \$500 deposit made for Suntan Sectional from Kent site. Continue to pursue sites and plans for 2022 Tournaments.	Ann
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. After discussion, opting to keep page as link to website and develop facebook group.	Aidan
Send follow up to Mentees from recent Mentor/Mentee game.	Ann plus Scott/Karen
The remaining action items from September have been completed.	

4. New Actions

Action	Assigned To
Sweetheart Sectional committee (tournament chairs plus Ann and T.Brown to prepare plan/proposals on entry fees, costs, etc after gaining club approvals.	Tourney Comm

5. Summary of Agenda Discussion

5.1 Approval of August Meeting Minutes

Approved without revision.

5.2 Treasurer's Report

As of September 30, account balances total \$56,613.62. Need two additional signatories (one to replace JC) going into 2022. Tom reported that a check was in the process of being reversed.

5.3 Membership Update

David reported that the Unit membership was stable now at 1,354 which is down 157 from its peak and down 8 from last month. Junior Master rank is coming back to play.

5.4 Publicity Update

Correction to announced time for Mentor/Mentee game to be sent.

5.5 Elections

Gene reported that three new people have expressed interest in joining the Board. One has filled out the online form. Dan Dailey has also indicated his intention to run again for his seat.

5.6 Unit Events

Trophy events will be held from the 5th to 9th of November and the next Mentor/Mentee game is to be held at SBC on December 12th. Jeff reported that all Round Robin matches have either been scheduled or completed.

5.7 Tournament Schedule & Sites for 2022

The Board decided to hold the February Sweetheart Sectional at SBC and EBC pending approval by the clubs. This action was taken based on the current unavailability (see below) of other sites and in light of expected lower turnout due to Covid. Tournament chairs were identified as David for NLMs at SBC and Jeff for the open games at EBC. T.Brown offered to draft sign-up and wait list policies to handle pre-registration.

Summary of site availability:

- Kent out at least until Mar22
- Shoreline Community College not booking yet, forms resubmitted
- Renton Community Center not open or renting yet
- North Seattle College is not responding
- Vasa Park in Bellevue not available for weekend specified
- other site options to be explored for future events include schools in Lake Washington and Seattle, Hotels, Pickering Barn, Scottish Rite (max 40 tables) and Fauntleroy Hall.

5.8 Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 1, 2021 at **5:00 p.m. via Zoom.**

5.9 New Business

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Cliff Feldman, Secretary