

# SBU Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting held: February 7, 2022, at 5:00 p.m., via Zoom teleconference

Board members in attendance: Jeff Ford, Cliff Feldman, Tom Brown, Scott Chupack, Bill Campbell, David Dailey, Aidan Klein, Gene Gousie, Craig Mills, Janet Ealy, Steve Estvanik and Karen Hudesman.

## 1. Summary of Motions

| Ref | Motion  | Moved By | Seconded By | Vote Result |
|-----|---|----------|-------------|-------------|
|     | Approve January minutes.  | David    | Tom         | passed      |
|     | Offer free game to 0-20 MP players for the Friday night sectional event.  | Cliff    | Karen       | failed      |
|     | Hold no party for Round Robin.  | Karen    | Cliff       | passed      |
|     | Compensate Sweetheart Sectional sites at a rate of \$1,200 for the weekend including machine fees but not including board prep. | Cliff    | Karen       | passed      |
|     | Hold another Mentor/Mentee game on April 10th subject to site confirmation.   | Scott    | Cliff       | passed      |

## 2. Actions on Hold

| Action   | Assigned To |
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| Renew Trailer tags. Deferred until 2 months before trailer is to be used   | David/Tom B |
| 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  |
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| Informally contact Clubs for updates to Club pages on Unit website.  | Cliff  |
| Finalize Welcome Packet for Board approval. Develop recommendations for ways to welcome newcomers to the Unit and to recognize achievements such as rank advancement. Proposal to be presented at March meeting.           | Karen & Committee (see two actions to update Website.) |
| Re-develop and maintain Facebook page for unit. After discussion, opting to keep page as link to website and develop facebook group. Board to be invited to review page. A few simple questions to be added to block BOTS. | Aidan  |
| The remaining action items from January have been completed.   |  |

## 4. New Actions

| Action   | Assigned To |
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| Send email/Sun blast promoting Sweetheart Sectional.                       | Steve       |
| Hold Zoom meeting on Club support prior to next meeting.                   | Cliff       |
| ACBL and Unit website to be updated with new officers and committee chairs | Cliff       |
| Get Awards for presentation at February Sectional                          | Jeff        |

## 5. Summary of Agenda Discussion

### 5.1 Treasurer's Report

As of January 31, 2022 account balances total \$61,383.13, which includes about \$4,400 in prepayments for the Sweetheart Sectional representing over 90 tables reserved.

### 5.2 Membership Update

David reviewed details from his monthly chart. Unit membership dropped by 42 to 1,306, down about 200 from membership peak pre-Covid. Most of the drop is at the 0-5 MP level, indicating difficulty in keeping newly signed members.

### 5.5 Sweetheart Sectional

To assist in setup and tear down, usually 1-2 hours pre and post games, volunteers include Gene, Steve, Karen, Jeff and Tom. Karen will also deliver snacks to each venue.

David is monitoring the partnership box and no new requests have come in.

Sign ups will be accepted online thru Thursday. Tom will continue to provide print outs of the sign up obtained to Tourney Chairs.

### 5.6 Tournament Chair Report

Gene reported that we still have no venue for the May Sectional. After much discussion, Gene is to find a site which meets historical parameters (maybe a bit larger for Covid distancing) for a three or four day event around May 27-30. Bothell Union Hall is first choice if they are booking.

### 5.8 New Business

After a brief discussion regarding support for clubs, Cliff volunteered to chair a committee to include David, Jeff, Gene and Steve to explore means to accomplish this. As a result of the discussion, the Board passed a motion as to how to compensate the Sweetheart club sites.

Scott proposed another Mentor/Mentee game for April 10th subject to site approval and with more randomized seating.

David agreed to replace Tom Land as Chair of the Bylaws Committee.

## 5.9 Next Meeting

The next meeting for March is scheduled for Monday, February 28, 2022 at **5:00 p.m. via Zoom**. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Cliff Feldman, Secretary