

SBU Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting held: May 2, 2022, at 5:00 p.m., via Zoom teleconference

Board members in attendance: Jeff Ford, Cliff Feldman, Scott Chupack, David Dailey, Gene Gousie, Tom Brown, Aidan Klein, Craig Mills, Bill Campbell, Janet Ealy and Karen Hudesman. Steve Estvanik was not in attendance. Ann Romeo was also present.

1. Summary of Motions

Ref	Motion	Moved By	Seconded By	Vote Result
	Approve March 28 minutes.	David	Tom	passed

2. Actions on Hold

Action	Assigned To
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 (2023)	Board

3. Actions Continuing

Action	Assigned To
Hold zoom meeting of committee to discuss how the Unit can best support the clubs. Contact Clubs for updates to Club pages on Unit website.	Cliff: Scott, Ann
Finalize Welcome Packet for Board approval. To be re-presented at next meeting.	Karen & Committee (see two actions to update Website.)
Set up Monday evening Zoom meeting (Cliff/Karen/Ann)	David
The remaining action items from March 28 meeting have been completed.	

4. New Actions

Action	Assigned To
Detailed plan for May Sectional.	Gene
Create and distribute flyer for May Sectional.	Steve
Review Welcome Packet	Board Members
Obtain ACBL sanction number for M/M event to give to Nick.	Jeff
Confirm location for fall Sectional.	Gene

5. Summary of Agenda Discussion

5.1 Treasurer's Report

As of April 30, 2022 account balances total \$57,265.

5.2 Membership Update

In/out report showed a gain of 5 members to 1,299 total.

5.3 Tournament Chair Report

After some discussion, it was determined that players at the May Sectional will be required to have masks and put them on at the request of opponents. Open food will also be an option. Seven teams have signed up so far and a flyer to promote attendance will be developed.

The recent Mentor/Mentee team event was very successful with 14 tables and many new players. Mentor/Mentee games will be quarterly, alternating between pairs and teams. Scott will transition organizing these games to Craig for the July/August game. Plans for an NLM Sectional have been dropped.

Jeff noted the preference for f2f play in the round robin event, but that online would be possible.

Scottish Rite Temple on hold for 2023 Sweetheart Sectional. Site still to be confirmed for event tentatively targeted for November 18-20 this fall.

5.4 Old Business

Karen has emailed a draft of the Welcome Packet to be reviewed by Board members for discussion at the next meeting.

The committee to investigate how best to support the clubs in the Unit met and reviewed some preliminary information. Ann obtained feedback from the Vancouver Unit which owns a club. This feedback was decidedly negative and recommended that we do not take this route. Other options under discussion include 1) grants to clubs during some defined period of time (12-18 months) based on games held and other factors to help transition back to f2f and 2) having the Unit lease one or more facilities as a non-profit to sub-let to clubs. Ideas and feedback from the Board would be welcome.

By-laws Committee meeting planned to be held prior to next Board meeting.

5.5 New Business

Aiden informed the Board that he has been accepted into Duke starting this fall and will be resigning from the Board. Congratulations and good luck! A replacement Board member will be required after the July meeting.

There being no further new business, the meeting was adjourned at 630pm.

5.9 Next Meeting

The next meeting for June is scheduled for Monday, June 6, 2022 at **5:00 p.m. via Zoom**. As Secretary will be unavailable, Karen Hudesman has volunteered to take notes.

Respectfully submitted, Cliff Feldman, Secretary