

Board Meeting Minutes – April 18, 2021

ACBL San Diego Unit 539

Board Members Present: Lamya Agelidis, John Boackle, Kathy Byrne, Greg Chaffee, Mary Hudson, Sam Madison, Marjorie O’Malley, Jane Petering, Mary Rea, Wayne Sottosanti

Board Members Absent: None

Call to order: 9:53 a.m.

Old Business: None

New Business:

1. **New members.** The board welcomed three new members, Mary Hudson, Marjorie O’Malley, and Mary Rea, and they introduced themselves to the group.
2. **Approval of March minutes.** The minutes of the March meeting were approved unanimously.
3. **Live games in clubs.** The ACBL sent out an email on the restarting of face-to-face club games and ACBL sanctioned tournaments. Policies for clubs will be determined by local government rules. ACBL Sectionals and Regionals will require masks and proof of vaccination.
4. **NLM Sectional in October.** At future meetings, the board will discuss the possibility of holding this live event for non-life masters. Currently we are unable to host online sectionals.
5. **Soledad Club reopening.** This location is looking to reopen for bridge in mid-June. Neither our San Diego unit nor the La Jolla unit have committed to hosting live Sunday games. The board is also looking for other possible locations for our unit game.
6. **Bridge center.** The board discussed the possibility of creating a foundation to raise money for a potential bridge center in San Diego which would offer regular lessons and games.
7. **Education.** An email was sent out to players with 0 to 750 masterpoints in all of San Diego County to gauge interest in group lessons. Profits we have made from our online games will go towards these lessons and an additional small fee will be charged to the players.
8. **Charity games.** We will charge five dollars for all games except charity games which will cost six dollars. Currently, the extra dollar is coming from players and not from the unit.
9. **Longest Day.** Sam has confirmed that ten pros have volunteered for this event which raises money for the fight against Alzheimer’s. They will play games—most likely online—with the highest bidder in each auction. The unit will include an ad for the Longest Day event in the next online magazine.
10. **Unit roles and responsibilities.** In June, the board will determine roles for the next year. We will continue meeting online indefinitely due to greater convenience for all members.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Sottosanti

Wayne Sottosanti, Secretary

Next meeting date: Sunday, May 16, 2021.