--Next meeting: Sunday, August 20, 2006, 4:45PM (approx.) at Adventures in Bridge--

ACBL – San Diego Unit 539 July 16, 2006

Board members present: John Boackle, Vicki Creamer, Jeremy Fields, Liz Garber, Barb Holles, Mary Huffaker, Norma Huhn, Sue Kane, Joan Maden, and Bert Waxler.

Board members absent: Ralph Baty.

Unit members present: Ron Huffaker

The President, Liz Garber, called the meeting to order at 4:50PM.

The minutes of June 18, 2006 were read. **M/S/P (Kane/Fields) that these minutes be approved.** Liz Garber announced that the Minutes of April 22, 2006 and May 21, 2006 were accurate and will stand as presented by the past secretary.

President, Liz Garber, provided copies of the budget for the year through June 30, 2006. It was noted that the Unit expenditures included almost \$8000 for the holiday party and the award's party.

The Treasurer, Barb Holles, reported that the checking account has a balance of \$2,029. Investment accounts have a balance of \$4800 in a money market account, and \$7000 in a growth account. The Unit does not have enough money in its growth fund to continue with the investment broker. Future investment activity will need to be managed online. The Unit lost \$24.51in a growth fund the past year. The money in this fund can be moved to another investment without a penalty. Liz proposed forming an investment committee. Bert Waxler reminded the board that two signatures were required on all checks. **M/S/P (Creamer/Huffaker) that there be only one signature on all checks under \$500 unless the check is written to Barb Holles, the treasurer.** It was decided that the Properties Chair, Ralph Baty, obtain locks and keys for the Unit cabinets in Wirt's office. The keys would be stored with the President, Treasurer, and Properties Chair.

FINAL REPORTS

Club Manager, John Boackle, presented the 2006 Schedule of Events for Unit 539 for the remainder of the year. The changes include: The NAP Qualifier was moved from October 15 to November 5. All three flights will be on November 5. The 14th Annual Marc Rothblatt Trophy Game was moved to October 14-15 from September 17. There will be two knock–out sessions on Saturday morning and one session on Sunday. The Sunday session will be finished in time for anyone wishing to play in the Sunday Unit game. The Charity game was shifted from November 5 to September 17. Fees to the ACBL are up to date. The advertising for the August 20, 2006 game will include flyers with post cards being mailed to the non-life masters. Advertising for the September 3, 2006 Masters Pair Trophy game will be flyers only.

Tournament Chair Report, Liz Garber reported that Wirt indicated 70 tables would be adequate for the Summer Sectional and no additional space would be needed. Signs would direct people to the additional parking that would be available on August 3 and 4, 2006. Volunteers are needed during the sectional. Jon McWright will be Head Caddy for the sessions on August 3 - 5. He will be paid \$100 per day. Two free plays will be given to each member of the board to be used at the sectional. Each volunteer will get one free play for the session volunteered. All free plays can be used at any session during the event. Sue Kane will distribute the free plays to the board members and anyone volunteering during the sectional.

Unit Contract Negotiating Chairman, Jeremy Fields had two meetings with Wirt. Discussions are continuing. The Board will vote on the final version of the contract.

Awards, Liz Garber, announced that the Unit purchased two trophy cases and the Club purchased one case. It was suggested that the Unit designate a memorial trophy to honor annually all Unit 539 deceased members. **M/S/P (Huffaker/Fields) that the discussion be tabled.** It was decided that the Unit would eliminate the annual Awards Party and present awards quarterly at a mini-awards party during a Unit game. A discussion followed on what kind of award would be presented to Unit members achieving the rank of Life Master. **M/S/P (Kane/Holles) that the engraved, green marble, paper weight be awarded through 2006 to Unit members achieving the rank of Life Master. M/S/P (Boackle, Creamer) that Unit members achieving above Silver Life Master receive an award.** A congratulatory letter will be sent by the Unit to notify the member when an award will be presented.

Future Life-Master Liaison, Joan Maden will be the joint tournament chair with Ron Igneizi from the LaJolla Unit for the Non-Life Master Sectional October 21 – 22, 2006. A discussion followed on how to notify non-life masters about future games. **M/S/P (Creamer/ Fields) that 1000 post cards be sent to Non-Life Master Players advertising the three Non-Life Master games**, (Audre Erhardt Trophy Non-Life NAP Stage 1 Qualifier, Marc Rothblatt Trophy Team Game, and the Non-Life Master Sectional) **and a flyer be made available with LaJolla to advertise the schedule of events**.

Partnership Chair, Sue Kane requested that e-mails to her as Partnership Chairman identify "bridge" as the subject. M/S/P (Fields/Huffaker) that Sue Kane be the Partnership Chairman for this year.

Memberships, Vicki Creamer requested a budget of \$82.19 beginning July 1, 2006. M/S/P (Fields, Huffaker) that Vicki Creamer be given a yearly budget.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

How do we get Directories to members?

NEW BUSINESS

Resignation from Maribel Corredor.

Next Board Meeting; August 20, 2006

Meeting Adjourned at 6:52PM

Approved August 20, 2006

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Norma Huhn

Secretary