--Next meeting: Sunday, September 17, 2006, 4:45PM (approx.) at Adventures in Bridge--

ACBL – San Diego Unit 539 August 20, 2006

Board members present: Ralph Baty, Vicki Creamer, Liz Garber, Barb Holles, Mary Huffaker, Norma Huhn, Sue Kane, Joan Maden, and Bert Waxler.

Board members absent: John Boackle, Jeremy Fields

Unit members present: None

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The President, Liz Garber, called the meeting to order at 4:35 PM.

M/S/P (Creamer/Huffaker) that the July 16, 2006 minutes be approved. The secretary will be absent from the September and October meetings. Vicki Creamer volunteered to record the September minutes and Liz Garber will do the October minutes unless a board member volunteers to take the October minutes.

M/S/P (Kane/Holles) to add to the minutes the approval of the telephone/e-mail votes for purchasing four fans for the sectional and that the Unit participate in the non-profit directors and officers liability insurance plan.

The Treasurer, Barb Holles, reported that a July 2006 profit and loss report was e-mailed to board members. The three unit games in July showed a profit of \$400. The Sectional resulted in a profit of \$1280 after taking in \$13,700. Barb Holles reported that the stock account investment was loosing money. M/S/P (Huffaker/Creamer) that the stock account investment be consolidated into the money market account. The treasurer requested that the Unit change to using computerized checks at a cost of \$75 for 250 checks. M/S/P (Huffaker/Maden) that the treasurer use computerized checks. The budget committee met July 14, 2006 and projected a profit of \$5400 for July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007. M/S/P (Maden/Kane) that the projected budget be accepted.

FINAL REPORTS

Club Manager, John Boackle was absent.

Tournament Chair, Ralph Baty heard a recommendation that a committee be formed to review the Sectional and discuss issues regarding future Sectionals. A committee was formed and those members will be notified when and where the meeting is to be held. There was a discussion regarding what kind of holiday party the Unit would have. A motion was defeated that would have supported having a catered holiday party at Adventures in Bridge until cost comparisons can be done. Ralph Baty will report on the cost of having a holiday party catered at Adventures in Bridge and a party at an outside location. **M/S/P (Creamer/Baty) that a cost comparison, for the Unit holiday party to be held either at Adventures in Bridge or an outside location, be provided by Ralph Baty at the September board meeting. Ralph Baty will obtain new locks/keys for the storage cabinets the Unit has at AIB.**

Unit Contract Negotiating Chairman, Jeremy Fields was absent but Liz Garber reported on the contract between AIB and Unit 539. This contract will expire on December 31, 2006. According to the contract, Unit 539 will provide AIB with the name of a chairperson, (John Boackle), who will meet and discuss with Wirt all future games and provide a list of dates and special events.

Awards, Liz Garber, indicated that not enough time was available to discuss items 1, and 2 of the awards agenda. **M/S/P (Waxler/Holles) to table items 1 and 2 under awards**. Board members will discuss with other bridge players whether the Unit should continue to give trophies to players who achieve above Silver Life Master. **M/S/P (Huffaker/Holles) to table item 3 of awards until the September meeting**.

Committee chairs were once again requested to provide a written statement of their job duties to Randy Dougherty, By-Laws Chair.

Charity Chair, Barb Holles, asked Joan Maden to discuss the organization Read/San Diego that would benefit from our charity game. M/S/P (Holles/Huffaker) to give the proceeds from the next Unit charity game to Read/San Diego. M/S/P (Creamer/Baty) that the board give at least \$150 to the charity, Read/San Diego.

Future Life-Master Liaison, Joan Maden met with Ron Igneizi to discuss fees for the joint NLM sectional with La Jolla. The fees will remain the same. It was decided that a free play would be given to any person who is called to fill in as a partner for the Unit game on that day. The unit would like to encourage NLM to play bridge at the Unit games... M/S/P that any NLM who played in 10 Unit games since January 2006 may attend the holiday party without a charge.

Hospitality Chair, Mary Huffaker, reported that there were many volunteers who worked hard during and after the sectional, and as a result seventy-one free plays were given out over the four day sectional.

Memberships, Vicki Creamer discussed the use of address labels placed on old Bridge Bulletins that are donated and made available at many sources to promote an interest in bridge. The future labels will have a free AOL e-mail address allowing people to request more information on Unit 539. This e-mail contact will enable Unit 539 provide bridge information and answer questions.

Properties, Ralph Baty - The subject of refurbishing tables will be discussed at the September 17 meeting.

An election will be held on September 17, 2006 for a first alternate as a District 22 representative to the national board of directors. The candidate's statements were passed out.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

New members to Unit 539 will be given a free directory when they come to play bridge.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

There was no other new business.

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Meeting Adjourned at 6:30 PM

Approved September 17, 2006 (Initialed) Norma Huhn Secretary .