

Board Meeting Minutes – Mar. 28, 2021

ACBL San Diego Unit 539

Board Members Present: Lamy Agelidis, John Boackle, Kathy Byrne, Greg Chaffee, Sam Madison, Jane Petering, Wayne Sottosanti

Board Members Absent: None

Call to order: 9:37 a.m.

Old Business: None

New Business:

1. **Approval of January minutes.** The minutes of the November meeting were approved unanimously. (There was no meeting in February.)
2. **Treasurer's report.** The Appreciation Party had \$1200 in revenue and \$4000 in expenses. For the fiscal year (Since July 1, 2020) we have \$16,500 in revenue over expenses.
3. **Live games in clubs.** Lamy is sending out a survey to club owners to find attitude on club re-openings. Online bridge will continue even after clubs reopen. Our next sectional didn't meet the August 1 cutoff, so we have lots of time to see how other sectionals are able to execute before we plan our next one which isn't till March 2022.
4. **Special games.** Tribute trophy games are scheduled for July 5, Sept. 5, and Oct. 17 pending no conflicts with the ACBL schedule in rest of 2021.
5. **Cost of games.** John suggested not raising the cost of any games from \$5 to \$6. We will charge \$6 only for charity games and The Longest Day. The board voted unanimously to keep the cost of other games at \$5.
6. **The Longest Day.** This event will be held on Sunday, June 20. The work for this event will be divided among board members in a similar way to last year.
7. **Education.** The Unit has committed funds for Education. Sam is working on ideas for group lessons and suggested preparing a questionnaire to determine interest.
8. **Trophies and other awards.** Awards for 2019 and 2020 have not been handed out and some are stored in Carolyn's garage. The board discussed what to do about last year's awards. Winners will have an alternative option of two free games instead of the award.
9. **Website.** The board is looking at ways to streamline and modernize the current unit website and is looking at other options.
10. **New Board Members.** The board is currently at an all time low in membership and is looking at options to attract new members. The board typically has between 11 and 13 members and we are actively soliciting new volunteers. Because of the pandemic, we are asking the current board members to serve an additional year instead of holding a formal election as permitted in our bylaws.
11. **GNTs.** GNTs will be online this year on the weekend of May 22-23. We would like to encourage our members to play in them.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Sottosanti

Wayne Sottosanti, Secretary

Next meeting date: Sunday, April 18, 2021.