ACBL Unit 539 Board Meeting January 16, 2022

Present: Lamya Agelidis, John Boackle, Kathy Byrne, Mary Hudson, Sam Madison, Marjorie O'Malley, Mary Rae, Wayne Sottosanti. **Absent:** Jane Petering, Greg Chaffee

The meeting was called to order at 9:45 A.M. November minutes were approved.

Financials: Since Greg was not present for this meeting Lamya will ascertain whether he re-activated insurance as of January 1, 2022. If he did not, given that our face-to-face opening was canceled, she will confirm that he will re-activate it at the appropriate time.

Sectional Tournament: There was discussion about canceling the March Sectional because of continuing concerns about COVID. Lamya will find out the ACBL deadline for canceling it. A Board meeting has been scheduled for January 30 after the unit game to revisit the issue and decide at that time.

Stratifications: In an effort to increase participation, the fee will be lowered to \$3.00 for those playing in the 1499 stratification for the January 30, unit game. An eblast will be sent encouraging players who are eligible to play in this stratification.

Alzheimer's Fund Raiser: Sam reported that Zia and Mark have agreed to play with 2 auction winners as opponents at one table. Sam hopes to have all the pros lined up within 8 weeks.

Game For Lena: Kathy would like to honor Lena Jelusich, who died recently and played for many years in our bridge community. It was decided to mark the one-year anniversary of her death with an in-memorial game for her.

In addition: Marjorie reported that she and Jane are working on the files of Maritha's "Teaching Points." This invaluable information will be put on our website. Board members congratulated Kathy on her new role as Unit Reporter for <u>The Connection</u>.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:51. Next Meeting Jan. 30, 3:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Hudson Secretary