

Minutes of Regular Meeting

San Luis Obispo Unit 540

July 10, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 11:30 AM, by President Fred Strong. Present were Board members Pat Hallock, Bill Woodson, Louise Abbott, Bob Karriker, Torre Houlgate-West, and Charles Davis. Absent was Board member Bud Zeuschner. Leda Fields later joined the board meeting to present information and discuss education issues.

1. Call Meeting to Order. Fred Strong handed out copies of the agenda to the board members.
2. Review and Approval of the June minutes. Charles distributed copies to all board members. After a brief discussion the minutes were approved as written.
3. Treasurer's Report. Pat Hallock passed out copies of the June report, which reflected that the Unit had \$8233.36 in its checking account and \$3376.88 in its savings account, for a total balance of \$11,410.24. Pat noted the purchase of a tape recorder for recording the Disciplinary Committee's recent hearing. After a brief discussion, the Treasurer's Report was approved.
4. Old Business
 - A. Further discussion of the Unit Board's teacher compensation policy. Bill Ringbom led a discussion on when payments would be made to the teachers, noting the Board lacked a written policy on the subject. After a brief discussion the board agreed on the following: teacher compensation will be paid as a single payment upon completion of the series of classes, and---effective with the next series of classes (Barbara Hardin's current classes are exempt)---upon submission to Treasurer Pat Hallock of the attendance rosters at each class meeting. Rosters must include the name and address of each attendee.
 - B. ACBL Guidance on Unit 540's Recent Disciplinary Case. Fred Strong briefed the board on his recent conversations with ACBL headquarters, and asked for a motion to reconsider the Unit Board's recent decision. The motion was approved and a lengthy discussion ensued on how the Board's actions could be modified to reflect ACBL policies more clearly. The board then voted to approve several modifications to its previous decision letter and authorized Fred Strong to notify

both the parties involved and the ACBL of those revisions, including the specific individual's appeal rights.

C. Education Liaison---Leda Fields joined the Unit Board to discuss both her request for a series of bridge classes and her assumption of the position of Education Liaison. The board voted unanimously to accept her as its new Education Liaison, but deferred discussion and consideration of her class proposal---and her submission on the duties of the Education Liaison---until the next Board meeting. Charles advised the board he would notify the ACBL of the change of Education Liaison Chair.

D. Unit Membership Directory---Louise Abbott distributed copies of her new membership directory, noting that further distribution would be done electronically to the Unit's directors and Club Managers. After a brief discussion, it was agreed that the cover page would be expanded to include the Black Lake Bridge Club, due to its recent change from an invitational game to an open game.

5. New Business

A. Club Activity Reports---Fred noted that the Paso Robles club had begun a 199'er game on Tuesdays.

B. 2016 Sectional Update---Louise Abbott advised the Board that the Elks Club would again be our venue for Sectional, based on the overall quality of their hosting of our 2015 event---and that we had asked the ACBL to again assign directory Nancy Boyd to the event.

6. Meeting adjournment at date/time of next meeting. Fred Strong announced that the next board meeting would be at 11:30 AM on August 14 and adjourned the meeting at 12:27 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles Davis, Unit 540 Secretary