

Minutes of Regular Meeting
San Luis Obispo Unit 540
March 10, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 11:35 AM, by President Fred Strong. Absent – David Gillette and Judy Obermeier.

1. Call Meeting to Order. Fred Strong handed out copies of the agenda to the board members and reviewed the issues with those present.
2. Review and Approval of the February, 2017 minutes. The minutes were approved as submitted.
3. Treasurer's Report. Pat Hallock provided copies of the February, 2017 report for approval. Funds on hand were as follows: Checking acct. -- \$6,582.35; Savings acct. -- \$3,378.66, for a total of \$9,961.01. The report contained information regarding initial income from the February Sectional of \$4,941.00 (after expenses for directors had been paid). A complete summary of income and expenses in connection with the tournament will be compiled and presented at the next Board meeting April 14, 2017. The report was approved as submitted after discussion.
4. Old Business
 - A. Report on the 2017 Sectional Tournament—many compliments received regarding venue, professionalism of tournament directors and food and drink provisions. Full financial report to be delivered at next Board meeting.
 - B. Rank Advancement items – Jan Zinner prepared brochure which was distributed at February Unit Game. Proposed and approved to provide an electronic copy to the membership.
5. New Business
 - A. Gayle Lapins to address Board – wants to make sure that achievement of Gary Arthurs to reach Diamond Life Master status noted (in minutes and on Unit 540 web site). She also suggested that a monthly listing of Unit members who have advanced in the ACBL ranking hierarchy should be prepared and distributed (including being posted on the Unit 540 web site).
 - B. Gina Kirk seeking support for a series of games commemorating The Longest Day, a day set aside by ACBL to raise funds in support of research on Alzheimer's Disease. Her proposal: for the Unit to hold a series of 4 games (3 day and 1 evening) at various clubs. She is requesting \$500 in 'seed money' to move forward with inviting a speaker to a central location and to organize a series of lessons for beginners to be held concurrently. Moved/seconded and approved to authorize tentative support for initial inquiries.

- C. Moved/seconded to reimburse Fred Strong for transportation of the Unit's dealing machine to Mountain View, CA, for repairs, and returning same to San Luis Obispo--\$30.
 - D. Moved/seconded to pay Barbara Hardin an additional \$100 for conducting further classes for her continuing students in Morro Bay.
 - E. Leda Fields requested funding of up to \$600 for holding a set of bridge lessons for beginners on Wednesday afternoons at San Luis Obispo Senior Center. Jim Parks noted that (partial) funding for such programs is available from District 22 Headquarters and suggested that this resource be investigated further.
 - F. Gina Kirk requested that the Board look into partial funding for replacement of bridge tables for Five Cities DBC. The topic will be further investigated before making any decision.
 - G. Jim Parks inquired about the interest in initiating a request for a "Senior Regional" Tournament to be held in San Luis Obispo. After some discussion, it was agreed to move forward on this topic.
6. Club Activity Reports. Black Lake Club reported a new novice game being initiated for Tuesdays in the evening.
5 Cities DBC reported the success of their Thursday afternoon games, averaging 18-20 tables/game. They are also hosting a novice game under their Easy Bridge program, now running 8-9 tables/game.
7. Adjourn—Fred adjourned the meeting at 12:25 PM. The next meeting will be Friday, April 14, 2017 at 11:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted

Robert Karriker, Unit 540 Secretary