

Approved 8/7/2019

DBAA Meeting Minutes March 20, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 4:34 pm at Atlanta Duplicate Bridge Club.

Attending: Board Members: Roz Howell, Tom Drinkard, John Simms, Ina Parry, Becky Butler, Jack Feagin, Sue Williams, Melissa Taylor and Pete Martin: Past President: Marty Nathan; and guests: Judy Fendrick and Patty Tucker.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as distributed.

The Treasurer's report was approved as distributed. There was a question about the District 7's Regional funds on the report with the explanation that those funds have been advanced to the Unit to be used for the annual Regional Tournament and are accounted for separately.

President Roz Howell announced that the 2018 Unit 253 Ace of Clubs and Mini-McKenney winners will recognized during the Memorial Day tournament, Sunday lunch break with pins and certificates. Melissa Taylor and Roz will send out a congratulatory letter to all our winners.

It was then announced that Patty Tucker's Blackwood Award will be celebrated on Monday of the Memorial Day tournament at the lunch break. A treat will be provided.

The previously tabled Hall of Fame discussion and vote will be held at the next Meeting on May 24th. Committee Chair Mike Sheldon has agreed to attend that meeting.

The floor was opened for discussion about the Best Practices Workshop that will be held in Atlanta in conjunction with our Regional Tournament. Patty Tucker explained the program and answered questions. The Educational Foundation will reimburse \$75 for TAP accredited teachers to update to the new program. As the Unit has previously helped underwrite the cost of TAP, there was agreement to provide some funding for Best Practices. APPROVED MOTION: *Unit 253 will provide reimbursement to Unit 253 members who complete the Best Practices Workshop up to a maximum of \$50.* Marty Nathan will provide a list of our members who complete the workshop.

Judy Fendrick presented the Goodwill nominations and *Arlene Conway was selected* as *Unit 253's nominee to the D-7 Goodwill Committee.*

Jack Feagin proposed that the DBAA Board formally request of District 7 and the ACBL that at the 2023 NABC to be held in Atlanta: *All nationally rated events with 10,000*

or fewer masterpoints and all Senior event be on the daytime schedule of 10am and 3pm. The MOTION was APPROVED.

President Howell announced that Arlene Taube, Arlene Conway and Janice Ripley have offered to help with the Mentor Program and the Friendship Game in light of the Chair's possible medical issues. The Friendship Game is June 9th at ADBC. There will be 2 24-board sessions. LM's will sit in the same direction. Lunch is provided. Becky is in charge of food and Nancy Watkins will direct. The deadline for qualifying as NLM is April 6, 2019.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

The next meeting will be Friday May 24, 2019 at the tournament site, Marriott Perimeter Center, after the afternoon session.

Respectfully submitted,

Roz Howell 20 April 2019