

Approved

**Unit 253 – DBAA Board of Directors Meeting
January 9, 2016 – 9:30-11:30 – Bridge Club of Atlanta**

Present:

Officers: Marty Nathan, Judy Fendrick, George Powell, Jan Noll
Unit Reps: Roz Howell, Joan Duffy, Janice Ripley, Vicki Bell, Dick Myers
Guests: Ron Torre, Joe Sherwood, Rob Epstein, Nicolas Hammond

Absent: Becky Butler, Josie Mitchell, Jack Feagin, Dick Myers

Meeting called to order at 9:40. Marty welcomed Rob Epstein who has been nominated for Vice-President. Election is scheduled for February. 8 candidates have self-nominated for director (all directors excluding Vicki have re-upped, and Allison Milhelm has asked to be included in Board. Officers include Marty Nathan for President, Rob Epstein for VP, Jan Noll for Secretary and Pete Martin for Treasurer. If there is no opposition, it will not be necessary to hold elections. Director's terms will no longer be staggered, so it will only necessary to run elections every two years. There was discussion actions which can be taken when attendance of officers or directors is poor. .

Prior Meeting Minutes - The minutes of the December 5, 2015 Board Meeting, sent on 12/9/15, were **approved**.

Treasurer's Report –George provided the Treasurer's Report prior to the meeting. It was agreed there is a need to restart development of investment plan. The report was **approved** as submitted.

President's Message

- Elyse has selected an election committee if we have to have election. Committee is **approved**.

Committee Reports

- **New Appointments** – no updates.
- **District 7** – MABC –now just an advertising wing and will get rid of shared assets which will be divided at the end of Gatlinburg tournament (tables, bidding boxes, etc); Joe Sherwood and Chris Moll are co-chairs. Mike Kovacich offered conditions of contest. District 7 will be doing away with playbacks after Charlotte tournament.
- **Change of Rank (COR)** - . Judy Fendrick – email to go out to all clubs requesting party date for March.
- **Directory** – Jack Feagin has gone to company he uses for his basketball league and is doing some research now. Vicki will send listing to board of 5 top vendors who deal in producing directories. Judy Fendrick and Rob Epstein will research these.
- **Education** – Janice Ripley – mentoring program will be held in May.

- **Elections** - no additional updates
- **Finance** – nothing to report
- **GNT/NAP** - Vacant
- **Goodwill** – Judy Fendrick - several nominations have been received; nominations will be reviewed by panel; Judy in process of sending out examples of write-ups so that all nominations will be in the proper format. At the February 20th meeting, we will vote and send nominations to district by March 15.
- **Membership** – 7 new members; 6 transfers – free plays have been sent.
- **NABC** – Judy Fendrick - close to getting logo finalized; once that is done, committee chairs will be finalized.
- **Newsletter** – this will be coming out at the end of January or early February – articles should be submitted by January 21st.
- **Special Games** – Vicki Bell – 24 Unit championship games, 4 fund games (2 for Atlanta Junior Bridge, 2 for) – going to consider having Swiss; Clubs do have schedule and more complete schedule going out. Judy suggested to put on DBAA website. Will send to Allison and Diane
- **Sportsperson of the Year** – nothing to report
- **Tournaments/Trophies** – tournament oversight committee needs to decide how to finance tournament; tournament chair handles all finances; ACBL wants directors to handle less cash; District 7 directors will be handling banks. Marty will talk to Jack.
- **Web Site** – nothing to report
- **Youth Bridge** –.nothing to report

Old Business

- **Trophies** – Roz is proposing that we have 6 trophy championships, 2 at each of our sectionals; funding will be separate proposal (\$5000); trophy committee responsible for executing. Vote on championship events – approved; motion to approve a maximum of \$500 for Feb. 2016 sectional (4 trophies)
- **Learn Bridge in a Day?** – no updates
- **Investment Policy** – not updates
- **Hall of Fame Policies and Procedure** – this is tabled until February meeting.

- **Sportsperson of the Year Policies and Procedures – Roz Howell** - proposal as amended (Rich Brody and Janice Ripley agreed to be on committee). Approved
- **Goodwill Policies and Procedures – Judy Fendrick** – motion to approve amended P&P, no discussion - approved

New Business

Reserve Funds for NABC

Motion approved

Computers – reserve one for treasurer; approved

Review of Robert Hartman’s presentation

- Next meeting (February 20)/adjourn – Marty Nathan