

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

April 4, 2007

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President Jack Feagin called the meeting to order. Present: Jack Feagin, Judy Fendrick, Donna Holland, Bob Heller, Richard Browne, Richard Holland and Nicolas Hammond.

Items highlighted in blue require future discussion and/or follow-up action.

1. **Minutes:** March 7, 2007 minutes were approved.

2. **Financial:** No reports presented.

3. **Special Games:**

**Change of Rank Party:** Timeframe for DBAA clubs to have their Change of Rank Party is May 1 to June 15. Each club will need to promote and advertise their party. Change of rank flyers will be mailed and used as free plays by the honorees at one game of their choice. Up to \$50 will be reimbursed to clubs for refreshments.

Bob moved to have this year's party recognize those who achieve rankings with 100, 200, 300 and above points. Susan amended the motion to recognize those who achieve Regional, NABC, Life Master and above. Richard Holland seconded the motion. *Motion approved.*

4. **New Business:**

**Phone Books** - Jack will try and get the phone books to Kennesaw Bridge Club.

**Communications Committee** - Susan moved to create a Communications Committee to make recommendations to the DBAA board for update and oversight of the DBAA webpage and use of e-mail lists. Susan volunteered to chair the committee. Judy seconded the motion. *Motion approved.*

**DBAA Area Expansion:** Dick Browne moved to have Cherokee and Forsyth Counties to be part of DBAA, as requested by ACBL members in those counties. Our current by-laws would need to be changed because currently it provides that expansion is subject to the Unit's approval. We should not try to bring in other Areas unless they have voted and expressed an interest in joining DBAA. A vote would need to be organized. Bob provided a document reflecting the unit re-districting recommendation in July. The proposal adds Forsyth and Cherokee Counties to Area 4, which will probably then be known as "Metro." This will expand the number of bridge players in the Area by 100 to 150, and will increase the number of members on the Unit Board. The Unit will define the Area. If DBAA wants to incorporate the new Areas, the DBAA board may need to expand.

Donna moved that if Cherokee and Forsyth Counties create a petition to become a member of the DBAA, we will vote on it and will address this as a change in our by-laws. *Motion approved.*

**Rising Tournament Costs** – We recently learned that the Birmingham Regional has been rescheduled to the same week as the Roswell Sectional in March 2008. Roswell Center cannot change the date. Dick Myers is working to get an agreement with the Holiday Inn that is one mile from the Roswell Bridge Club at a reasonable cost. This would be an option for either the December or March tournament. Magnolia Manor is scheduled to reopen as a Doubletree, but there is no guarantee it will reopen by December. Hilton does not want our business. Jonathan has suggested we could do a sectional at the club in conjunction with another

building close by. The Holiday Inn across from the Hilton on Peachtree Industrial may be an option. Ravinia will allow us to have a Sectional when there is a sold-out city-wide convention and they have available space. **Jack suggested we explore other hotel options to ensure we have good venues.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm. **Next meeting: Wednesday, May 2, 2007 @ 6:15 pm**

Respectfully submitted,

*Judy Fendrick*

Judy Fendrick, Secretary

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