

DBAA Board Meeting ----draft minutes

January 3, 2013

President Ralph Folkerts called the meeting to order at 5:55 pm at the Atlanta Northeast Hilton in Norcross, GA. Present were Ralph, Roz Howell, Marty Nathan, Nancy Motes, Allison Milhelm, Judy Fendrick, Joel Adler, Dick Myers, and guests George Powell, MaryAnn Oakley and Tarokh Taefi.

The Minutes of the August 30, 2012 meeting were approved as distributed.

The Treasurer's Report was approved and is attached. Marty reported that there were 200 tables at the recent NLM at the Bridge Club of Atlanta and there was a \$1300 profit. The report of that tournament is also attached to these minutes.

Nancy Motes reported for Unit 114 that the committee is working hard on the upcoming NABC and will soon start recruiting volunteers in the clubs.

The report on this Sectional Tournament was accepted without objection. Chairman Dick Myers reported that we are currently down about 100 tables. It was noted that many of our players are at the Regional in Charleston.

Nancy Motes reported on the new Directory. She had 1500 copies printed for \$919.97 which was less costly than previous editions. She has distributed them to the clubs. Discussion followed about the task of keeping the directory up to date and whether someone could be in the written directory, but opt out of the online version. Nancy believes that this will put an onerous burden on the person responsible for updating the directory.

MOTION: post on the website the information about opting out of the directory (both written and online). Motion passed.

MOTION: keep two directory lists and allow membership to opt out of one without opting out of the other. Motion was tabled.

Discussion ensued about password protecting the online directory. It was reported that Larry can do it, but there is concern about members remembering the password.

The rough draft of the memorandum of Agreement on NLM Tournaments was presented and is attached. The Committee has worked on guidelines, but they are not finished and recommendations and suggestions are welcome. Ralph asked that Priscilla be advised as to the pending new requirements so she will not be caught unawares. He also asked the Committee to check with Sam Marks about if and when he might want to schedule another tournament at his club.

MOTION: the DBAA will allow Sam Marks to have another tournament in 2013 assuming the date and other requirements are satisfactory. Motion passed. This was pre-approved in order to meet the ACBL's timing requirements.

The Committee for the COR Change of Rank celebrations reported and that draft report is attached. They reported that they were initially split on two issues: how to celebrate and who would be honored. After deliberation they have agreed to keep the celebrations in the clubs. Logistics was a key issue. There was discussion as to which ranks were to be honored and how to insure appropriate recognition.

MOTION: Every rank is to be recognized and awarded a free play. Motion passed.

It was agreed that we will assign a DBAA Board member to each party to assure the DBAA and the players get recognized in a consistent manner.

The next meeting will be at a time and location scheduled by the new President.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosalind Howell, Secretary