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President Jack Feagin called the meeting to order. Present: Jack Feagin, Gaby Fadel, Kevin Collins, Beatrice Kemp, Sue Wolfe, Josie Mitchell, and Carolyn Eckert.

1. Minutes: August 4, 2004 DBAA Board meeting were approved.
2. Financial: No Financials submitted.
3. Specialty Games:
GNT Games: Nov 10, 2004. Team Qualifier Game only; no OPEN game
Turkey Game: Nov 17, 2004. First place overall for N & S and E & W will receive a frozen turkey.
Holiday Party: Dec 15, 2004. Jack will find a person to prepare and/or bring food. A budget of \$300 was approved.
Novice Game: For the present time, the Novice Game concept will be on hold.
4. Old Business:
Social Bridge Program: DBAA officials wish to express our sincere gratitude to Patty Tucker and all the members of her committee, the special volunteers, and directors who together made the Social Bridge Program at the Atlanta Regional a huge success. Hopefully, this will become an annual event. Bill Burks will prepare a financial statement on the costs of the program for submission to the District and ACBL for reimbursement.
Marketing Session at Atlanta Sectional: ACBL does have co-sponsoring funds available for reimbursement for specific projects.
Letter to Clubs for Visit: As an outcome of discussion by Bill Marks and Larry Rich at the August DBAA Meeting, Jack will prepare a letter for approval by the board to send to all bridge club owners/managers on visiting the clubs at the request of the owners/managers.
5. New Business:
Preparation of Slate for Elections of Officers: Carolyn reminded everyone that a slate of candidates for election to vacant offices of the DBAA board and representatives to Unit 114 should be prepared and presented for voting. The election will be held at the Atlanta Sectional held at the Roswell Community Center on Sunday, March 6, 2005. The board will designate an Election Committee Chairperson to prepare the slate of candidates according to the bylaws.
Ideas to increase activity, membership, and intellectual level of the Wed DBAA Games for the future:
Lecture Series for Advancing Players: provide a FREE ½ hours pre-game lecture series by well known quest speakers for "ADVANCING BRIDGE PLAYERS" for a 6-8 week time frame beginning in January. Advertise at tournaments, District Bulletins, web pages, and via flyers and posters. Beatrice Kemp will prepare a poster for the Atlanta

Sectional about the Lecture Series. Once a list of guest speakers is determined, Carolyn will prepare a flyer for distribution and will follow up with advertisements in bulletins, web pages and any other sources.

Other suggestions for the DBAA Wednesday night game include:

Par-bidding Contest: Prepare a contest of 'special bridge hands' for pairs to bid on.

Opening Lead Problems:

IMP Game: change to IMP scoring for one game. Announce ahead of time.

Meeting adjourned 7:30PM. ***Next meeting: Wednesday, December 1, 2004 @ 6:00pm***

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Eckert

Carolyn Eckert, Secretary

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