

Unit 425 Minutes
January 15, 2007

Present: Board Members: Kathie Hoehne, Dorothy Case, Norm Holthouse, Carolyn Green, Dennis Smith, George Holcombe, Linda Theis, Walt Pease, Pat Galvin, Nancy Schafer and Greg Svendsen. Others: Howard Enbysk, Phil Morrow.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by Norm Holthouse, President. It was determined that there was a quorum present.

The meeting agenda was approved as provided.

The December minutes were approved as presented. Dorothy Case stated that she will be out of town for the next two meetings, and Nancy Schafer said she would take minutes at those meetings.

The Treasurer's report was approved as presented. Kathie reminded us that the rent is going up according to our lease agreement, and the gas bill will be going up because of the 30% increase in fuel charges from Enstar.

It was pointed out that this time of the year is the time for the annual audit. Kathie said she would contact Jim Meinel to see when it would be convenient for him to conduct the audit and his recommendation as to how much of an audit needed to be done. Pat G explained the treasurer's report and how we are essentially able now to meet our expenses. Pat moved and it was approved after discussion to solicit information on the best place to bank and deposit our savings to have the best possible return.

Howard Enbysk gave the Club Manager's report. He stated that the attendance for last month was way down because of the holiday and so many people being out of town for bridge tournaments. Our whole quarter consequently was also down, but the year was still up.

He reminded us that there is an IN tournament coming up the end of March and that we needed a chair person for that. Walt stated that he knew who to ask.

The month of February is Junior Fund. The Directors at their discretion can charge \$1.00 more and that money is given to the ACBL. In return, we get

extra points for that game. In addition, for every 10 new members of ACBL, they will give us an upgraded sanction that is worth more points. He stated that there are people who are ready to take Easybridge!™ lessons again, we just need an instructor. He thought Carolyn Sprague would be willing to do it. (The new class will begin February 20th, Tuesday nights with Carolyn Sprague teaching.)

Howard also reported that he held a Director's meeting last week where he trained all Directors in how to use the duplimate machine and how to post results onto our website.

He also asked that we have someone promote and take charge of the mentoring. He said that a mentor can play for free on certain days if willing to mentor someone. Nancy Schafer said she would work on getting sign up sheets and promoting that.

Howard discussed how the Christmas party this year was a disappointment. It was suggested that next year it be on Monday night, not Tuesday afternoon, when most everyone can come whether or not they work.

Howard also mentioned that every year we are supposed to have a Membership game which is sponsored by the new life masters and planned by them. Since there are so few new life masters, Greg suggested that anyone who went up in rank, like to bronze, silver, etc. could also be part of the committee.

Howard also reported that new door closers are on order and they will be fixed when they come in. The ceiling leak is to be paid for by the landlord. The toilets stopped working two times, but both times when the plumbers came, they were working again.

George Holcombe reported that he has a guy who can do extra cleaning for \$15.00 per time. A discussion ensued, and it was decided that we needed to ask the present cleaners how much it would cost to perform this service since we already have a contract with them. They are coming to clean every day during the upcoming tournament. George also shopped for a vacuum and said there was a bag less one on sale now at Sears for around \$100. Linda Theis and Greg Svendsen gave him the money to buy the vacuum.

George also reported that ACBL does have funds for teachers to teach a student EasyBridge!TM class. A teacher would get \$350.00 stipend, T shirts, etc. Dorothy stated that she could put this information on our website. It was pointed out that someone has to be willing to do this. Pat Galvin stated that as he observed his wife, Alyse teach students to play bridge, with the preparation, etc., the pay isn't really that good, but that we do have a number of retired teachers in the club who may be interested.

Phil Morrow reported that up to now money from the books and pop has been sufficient to pay for the extra supplies he buys for us such as paper plates, cups, etc. However now he is in the hole about \$27.00. It was discussed and moved, and approved to raise the cost of pop to \$1.00, and to put a larger sign on the door of the refrigerator.

Dave Morrone discussed his role as District 19 representative and stated that he is not planning on running for this position when his term expires in December. The election will be this summer.

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The meeting was adjourned at 6:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dorothy S. Case, Secretary