

Unit 425 Minutes

September 12, 2011

PRESENT: Tom Ottley, Norm Holthouse, Nancy Schafer, Lee Garrett, Greg Svendsen, Dennis Smith, Robert Hill, Linda Thies, Carolyn Sprague, Gail Buck, and Club Manager Kathie Hoehne. Doug Scott, game director, was in the room.

NOT PRESENT: Shannon Jones

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Tom Ottley at 5:30pm.

MINUTES: The August 15, 2011, minutes were approved by Nancy and seconded by Tom with no objections.

DISTRICT 19 MEETING REPORT: Carol Holcombe passed out her report from the August 22, 2011, District 19 Board Meeting held in Lynnwood, WA, and answered questions. District 19 pays one half of Carol's air fare and two nights of lodging.

CLUB MANAGER'S REPORT: Kathie passed out her report. Nancy would like to see the table count for the last several months.

There was discussion on buying pencils or pens for the Alaska table during the Seattle tournament. Greg made a motion that we buy some pens—about \$100 worth—and Lee seconded—it passed with no objections. The Seattle tournament dates are November 24 through December 4, 2011.

Next summer, Monday, June 19, 2012, will be a Charity Game—not part of the Regional—the game will cost \$9 per person--\$8 for the game and \$1 for charity.

There will be a Non-Life Master Tournament on November 1-4, 2011. We need a chair-person.

There was discussion on incorporating—ACBL would like us to—no decision was made.

Carolyn moved and Linda seconded that we spend \$20 on software called *Bridge Composer*—it passed with no objections.

Kathie asked if we could change our board meetings to the second Monday instead of the third Monday of each month—it would require a change to our By-Laws—no decision was made.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Kathie explained that the rent was wrong on last month's report because she put in the date wrong. Every year, there is a 3% increase in our rent. Our current rent is \$3,708—

it will go up in November by 3%. The treasurer's report was approved by Norm and seconded by Lee with no objections.

OLD BUSINESS: Lee reported on the status of the Termination Dust Sectional Tournament, September 14-18, 2011. She said everything is ready. She has ordered lasagna, garlic bread, and salad from Guido's to be delivered at 4pm. There will be one small vegetarian lasagna for about 8 people. She is figuring on 80 people total but will give Guido's a more definite count two days before the event. Lee washed our windows! Nancy will do cleanup. Dennis is doing partnerships. We will have split-the-pot raffle tickets. Walt is having his margarita party, and Duff will entertain us. Shannon has requested lots of pies for dessert—Lee is baking three herself! Guido's is charging us \$7.75 per person; we are collecting \$6 per person for the meal. We will have our annual meeting during the break on Sunday, September 18, 2011. Norm will chair because Tom will be away.

Winnie and Dennis are on the Nominating Committee for new directors for the Board—elections will be in the month of November.

The June discrepancy in posting ACBL points was corrected by Kathie in August.

NEW BUSINESS: Linda suggested we buy an AED for the Center—an automated external defibrillator—it starts someone's heart. It was tabled until Linda has time to research the cost.

ACBL is requesting nominations for the *Good Will Member of the Year*. Last year, we nominated Phil Morrow.

Nancy said that the Alaska Literacy Program is asking us to put together another spelling bee team this year—Friday, October 28, 2011, at Dena'ina Center. Last year, our team tied for second place. It does not cost us anything; the team members pay the entry fee. Greg moved and Dennis seconded that we support a team—no objections. Nancy will be selling Alaska Airline raffle tickets.

Norm will work with Kathie to set up dates for special games for the rest of this year and for next year.

Tom and Ira will again be teaching a class in October going through January—probably it will be on Friday mornings 10:45am to 11:45am—and they will charge \$2 a person—money to go to the Unit.

NEXT MEETING: The next board meeting will be Monday, October 17, 2011.

ADJOURNMENT: Nancy moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:30pm; Lee seconded; no objections.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Buck, Secretary