Unit 125 Board Meeting January 14, 2016 Holiday Inn, Rockside

- Present: Barb Bacon, Chuck Bisesi, Peggy Gallagher, Steve Garfunkel, Bill Hogsett, Tommie Ruehr,
- Absent: Harvey Bernstein, Bev Carter, Barb Greenspan, Wayne Heritage, Fran Mulkins, Sharon Robertson, Mary Spooner
- Guests: Bev Carter, Sharon Fairchild

Meeting called to order at 5:05 pm.

Due to no quorum ,August, September and November minutes were not approved.

Treasurer's report

None given

President's Report

- Mary Spooner has resigned from the board due to job travel. Bev Carter has been appointed in her place to fulfill the rest of her term.
- We are in need of more candidates to run for the board. The election is at the April Sectional. Suggestions so far are: Becky and/or Eric Shugart, Tom Rice, Sue Cutler, Doug Turnbull, and Chuck Ladiha. More suggestions are needed.

Committee Reports

Membership: Chuck Bisesi reported that the Akron Unit has paid \$40 for 20 new directories and that about 30 have or will be sent out with the new member letters. Sales at the clubs have been sparce and we need to do more to let our members know they are available. Chuck just learned that Kermit Wolford still has a lot of the old directories left at his house and suggested ordering a lesser number in the future. Barb Bacon suggested all club directors announce and publicize their availability.

Old Business

April Sectional: Steve reported that Rhona will do flyer. Barb Greenspan suggested start time for evening session should be 7:00pm not 7:30pm. Friday night will not be a team event as it was not that popular last time and suggested start times of 11am, 3pm and 7:30pm with stratified open and 0-99r events. Bill stated that ACBL will send out flyers to those units within a 250 mile radius.

Name Tags: Peggy said sales had begun at the May 2015 Regional and that appx. 350 had been sold. Future requests for a name tag should be referred to the website 7NT for a direct sale. Peggy said that a box containing about 6 to 12 tags had been misplaced at Rosemary Kleis club along with about \$20 in payment. Rosemary is moving so it is possible they are among her boxes.

Non Life Master Sectional – September dates are in conflict with other area activities and need to be reconsidered. October 8th and 9th were suggested. Barb Bacon to check with Rocky River Hall on availability. Dates may have to be moved due to a lot of other events being held in October.

May Membership Meeting: Date is May 15th at the Rocky River Memorial Hall. Barb Bacon will help coordinate, with Fran Mulkins and Bev Carter helping. They will check on local caterers for menus and costs. A flyer to advertise should be available at least 60 days prior to the event. A discussion to not charge for the dinner but only for bridge was brought up at the last meeting but no vote has been taken by the Board at this time. Bill has appointed a committee to look into this and bring their recommendations to the next board meeting.

New Business

Learn Bridge in a Day: Bill has been in contact with Edie Dus-Garden regarding the use of the Cleveland Yacht Club as a venue to host this event. **Saturday, June 4th** has been selected. Mary Spooner will head up the teaching staff, assisted by Bernie Greenspan. All are welcome to volunteer. Major dollars are needed for food, supplies, books, etc. Manuals are \$8.50 each if purchased from ACBL or \$3.50 each if obtained on line. The committee will contact ACBL and request a \$500 stipend to offset costs. Bill suggested an increase in cost to attend from \$20 at the door to \$25 and from \$15 on line to \$20 on line registration. Sun Press ads are a possibility. ACBL will pay 75% of the cost.

May Regional – Barb Bacon mentioned that the new CEO of ACBL is attending our May Regional and suggested that we host a reception to introduce him to the membership. It was agreed by the Board that this is a good idea and Barb should arrange it.

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Beverly Carter Secretary

Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 23rd, 4:45pm St. Michaels Woodside

Hospitality: Chuck Bisesi