

# Unit 125 Board Meeting

4:45pm – St. John's Church, Parma, Ohio

Present: Steve Garfunkel, Wayne Heritage, Dave Hobe, Rhona Jacobson, Chuck Ladiha, Fran Mulkins and Tommie Ruehr.

Absent: Janet Auwerter, Bev Carter, Peggy Gallagher, Maureen Merker, Cathy Wolford

Guests: Barbara Bacon, Harvey Bernstein, Sharon Fairchild, Bill Hogsett.

Meeting was called to order by President Tommie Ruehr at 5:10 PM.

**Approval of the minutes:** Tommie read the minutes and these corrections were made: We do not pay St John's to store the tables. The Non Life Master Sectional will be in July of 2018 not the Master/Future Master Game which will be held October 25<sup>th</sup> of 2017. The next meeting (this one) will be held on June 14.

Fran Mulkins moved to accept the minutes as corrected, seconded by Chuck Ladiha.

## Treasurer's Report

Treasurer, Harvey Bernstein, reported that the bills for the Awards Dinner were still coming in but it looks like we will have a \$700 deficit from that event. For the year, we look to be about \$2000 in the black.

## President's Report

Tommie is looking at dates for the NLM sectional in 2018. Barb relayed the dates currently available. Barb mentioned that we have a sectional scheduled during the NABC in August of 2018. The weekend of August 10-12 seems to be available. Barb will check to see if we can change dates for the Silver Bowl.

## Old Business

- The Unit Club Site was not discussed due to the absence of Peggy Gallagher.
- **Vichill Report:** Bill Hogsett arrived and gave a report on the imp leagues. We continue to have fewer teams. Vichill in 2015-16 had 28 teams. In 2016-17 there were 25. Bill believes they are getting smaller because of:
  - Night Games are less popular because fewer people drive at night.
  - Location. It is far for people to drive
  - Some think there are too many sessions.
  - Some like and some dislike handicapping.

- Issues we need to decide:
  1. Should we have 6 sessions or 9. We get no more points for more sessions, but more money.
  2. Should we handicap or not?

We are scheduled for 9 sessions starting September 13 then October 4 + 11, November 1 +15 and December 6. In 2018 we will use March 28, April 11 and 25.

- **Master-Non Master:** Fran announced that the Master Non-Master game will be held on October 25<sup>th</sup> at St John's Cathedral in Parma at a cost of \$150 for the facility. Warren and Tamera Norris will assist by signing up players from the East side. The next step is to get a director.
- **Storage Unit:** Harvey reported that the storage unit is paid through July 17, 2017. Volunteers will clear it out on Friday June 23 at 10AM. Dave, Tommie, Harvey and Wayne will help do this and Harvey will store the roaster and the two coffee pots in his garage. Bill Hogsett may have a second key to the unit which should be retrieved
- **Unit Directories** – Tabled
- **November Flyer** – Not discussed
- **In and Out Lists:** The question was raised if we should provide in and out reports to club directors so they can market their games. It was decided that the unit would provide the report upon request.

### **Committee Reports**

- **Membership:** Maureen Merker reported she had sent out coupons that could be used in club games. Bev sent an email to all club directors that they could present the coupons to the Treasurer for reimbursement.
- **Charity Committee:** Tommie reported that Bernie Greenspan and Mike Creager resigned from the Charity Committee. Bernie promised an orderly turnover of the records to Sharon Robertson. Sharon and Don Sulgrove are still on the committee. Tommie has appointed Dave Hobe to serve and will appoint another 2 people to bring the total up to the 5 required members.
- **NAP/GNT Report:** Barb Bacon reported that Club Managers are asked to submit dates for their NAP Qualifying games to Bill Hogsett so they can be posted on the website. The District Finals are scheduled for October 7 and 8, 2017 in Erie PA. She will reserve a block of rooms at the Comfort Inn on West 12<sup>th</sup> Street at a reduced rate.

### **New Business**

- **Table Problem :** Barbara mentioned that there were problems of delivery and retrieval of the card tables before the last regional. A discussion ensued about how to handle this in the future, probably by helping the movers understand that punctuality is important.
- **Summer Imp League** will be \$8/person with \$100 going to the hall, \$100 for the

director, plus the cost of snacks. There are 6 teams in the Thunder Bracket and 5 in the Lightening Bracket. The Thunder Bracket will play a 20 board match against one team and 5 each night against another. The Lightening Bracket will play an internal board-a-match format to achieve their round robin.

- **Sandusky Area Sectional:** The President has received a request to permit a group to hold a sectional tournament in Sandusky which is in the Toledo Unit (Unit 105). Do they need permission of the other unit? What is the responsibility of the Unit if they fail to attract enough people? Tommie will talk with them some more.

Fran moved and Dave seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 PM. The meeting was adjourned.

**Next meeting :        July 12 at St. John's at 4:45 PM**

**Hospitality :        Fran Mulkins.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Sharon Fairchild, Temporary Secretary.