Minutes - Unit 125 Board Meeting February 1, 2022 - Via ZOOM

PRESENT: Bill Issa, Jeff Weiss, Doug Hardman, Harvey Bernstein, Angie Strainic, Sallie Reider, Mike Gilbert, Sallie Hotchkiss, Steve Garfunkel, Stan Dub, Sue Knirsh, Bernie Greenspan

MINUTES: Minutes of the Dec. 9, 2021 meeting were unanimously approved without changes.

TREASURER REPORT: Harvey reported – No major changes in finances since last reported.

CHARITY COMMITTEE: Doug Hardman will verify the balance with Dave Hobe. An email later confirmed that the balance in the charitable account is \$1,529.22. The bank account costs \$5 a month bank fee.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Sallie Reider reported. Total membership is 659. Two new members this month.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. April Regional Tournament Chairs Bill I. and Sally H. are will figure out food and beverage situation. Event Safety Coordinator is Barbara Greenspan. Stickers or bracelets are needed so vaccination card only needs to be done once. Bill and Sally will do an email blast at least 2 weeks before.
- 2. Elections We will run the election on-line the first week of April at the same time as the Sectional. Four candidates have been identified and will be on the ballot Susan Stark, Fleur Howard, Jim Knirsh and Barbara Greenspan. Those leaving the Board are Bill, Angie, Sallie and Sally. Dinner for outgoing and incoming board members will be scheduled for late April/early May.
- 3. Membership Meeting will be held May 15th at 1:00 as a one session Unit Championship and will be free to Unit members. Advanced registration will be required. We will have awards of Mini-McKinney and Ace of Clubs prior to the play. Kevin Phipps will be the director.
- 4. Sectionals August Sue Knirsch is working on the flyer.
- 5. Sectional November The new board will need to determine a chairperson and a flyer submitted.
- 6. Vichill League The Fall league had 56 teams with 26 matches each week. Stan reported that the it is running more smoothly but is a lot of work. The Spring league will begin in early March. An estimate of 40% of the players are Unit 125 members. Stan proposed lowering the prize money to \$144 and \$72 for first and second place respectively. This was approved. Proposed compensation for the Director and the Coordinator/Chair of \$150 per session.
- 7. Recruitment Jeff Weiss reported –He had some discussions with Orange and Solon. With Orange it is an adult education program that they will advertise. Orange will charge for the class and pay the instructor. He will discuss further with Andy Halpern as an instructor. Steve proposed providing a free ACBL membership to anyone who completes the course. This was approved unanimously.

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NEW BUSINESS:

1. The Charter for the charitable arm of the unit (the 501C3) has expired and needs to be renewed. Stan will complete the necessary paperwork and give it to Harvey to mail along with a check to the State of Ohio. This needs to be renewed every 2 years. The statutory agent will be changed to Stan Dub.

Next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday March 29, 2022 at 5:00pm via Zoom