ACBL Unit 506

Meeting Minutes

July 2, 2024

1. Call to Order

Lauren Friedman, Unit President, called to order a meeting of the Unit 506 Board, at 6:31 pm. The meeting was held via Zoom. The following Board members were present: Tom Stillman, Lauren Friedman, Gail Gabiati, Kevin Liberg, David Gendreau, Kris Wong, Shazia Makhdumi, Janice O'Brien and Robert Schwab. Board member Christian Goetze did not participate.

2. Old Business

Effective January 17, 2024, Steve Smolen resigned from the Board. Due to his busy schedule teaching bridge on cruise lines he felt he was unable to fully devote effective time to the Board. The Board thanked Steve for his many years of service. Christian Goetz volunteered to fill Steve's position and the Board voted unanimously to install Christian as a member of the Unit 506 Board of Directors.

3. Treasurer's Report

Kris Wong reported that we have \$6600 in the bank account and 2 certificates of deposit (\$10,275 and \$9,400) with varying dates of maturity. We had a large shortfall with the June Sectional. The \$1155 loss was attributed to a lower table count, particularly on Saturday, and higher costs. June is always problematic because of people traveling.

4. Future Sectionals

After discussion, a motion was made by Tom Stillman to move the 'June' 2025 Sectional to September 27/28. The motion passed unanimously. David Gendreau will ask St Mary's if there is a date available in June for a regular Unit game.

5. September Unit Game at Pomeroy Center

Lauren reported that she has been in discussion with the Pomeroy Center about holding a combined Unit game and social game at the Center on September 28. Thanks to a generous social player, we will not have to pay for rent or snacks. He will cover the rent and provide sandwiches before the game. The lunch will be at noon and the game at 1:00.

After much discussion about the various logistics surrounding the event, the following was decided:

- Tom will direct the social game, still in a duplicate format but with only 15-16 hands
- We will hire a director for the Unit game
- We will hire Calvin to supply the tables (no more than 35)
- Both games will have a \$15 entrance fee
- Jim Leuker may give a lesson during lunch and also be available to the social players during their game to offer advice. We are awaiting response from the donor to see if this is advantageous for the players.
- We need to prepare a flyer explaining the event and distribute it to the right places to capture as many social players as possible.
- Lauren will continue to communicate with the Center and the donor to see if all of these are acceptable

6. D21 Charity Committee

The District selects certain charities for contributions each year and has asked each Unit to submit a suggestion for their favorite charity. Tom Stillman suggested Muttville, a San Francisco based organization dedicated to finding care and placements for older dogs. The Board agreed to submit this suggestion to the District Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:21.