

ACBL Unit 180 Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes, July 12, 2016

I. Call to order

Robert Shearer, president pro tem, called to order the regular meeting of the Unit 180 ACBL Board of Directors at 4:05 p.m. on July 12, 2016 at the 4th Street Clubhouse in Gulfport, MS.

II. Attendance

The following board members were present: Jim Crowe, Janet Signer, Sandy Mikulenska, Susan Thompson, Lydia White, Robert Shearer, Richard Logan, and Jean Chambley. Richard Bryant, club manager, was also present.

III. Old Business

The June 2016 minutes were unanimously approved.

IV. Treasury Reports

Robert Shearer handed out copies of the June treasury reports prepared by the treasurer, Caroline Fisher.

V. New and Ongoing Business

Shearer announced that Richard Bryant has agreed to be in charge of both the Gulfport building and the game directors. Shearer suggested that Dan Spangler can take over some of the games if the current directors are not happy doing the job. "Happy directors make happy players."

Richard Bryant has contacted Ball Heating and Air about a one-time cleaning and testing of the 3 compressors at the 4th Street club. The fee for this service on all 3 units is \$670 plus tax. Bryant also explained Ball's maintenance package which includes twice-a-year service plus emergency service without overtime charges. This package costs \$69 per month. Logan commented that the units are 9-years old. Shearer moved that the club contract for the one-time service deal for \$670. Mikulenska seconded. Motion unanimously approved.

Shearer announced that a committee is being formed to find candidates for the January 2017 election of a new unit president and vice president. Lydia White and Sandy Mikulenska volunteered. Shearer recommended that we find a vice-president as soon as

possible to fill the current vacancy. It would be preferable to find someone who is willing to take over the job of president in January 2017.

Richard Logan has volunteered to be the unit 180 representative in Tunica, MS.

Fisher was not at the meeting but asked Thompson to present a possible change in the payment of game directors. Last month Dan Spangler suggested that tying directors' compensation to the number of tables in any particular game might act as an incentive for directors to bring in more tables for the games they direct. Two different schemes were proposed: \$30 per game plus \$2 per table or \$40 per game plus \$1 per table. The board informally agreed that the club will maintain its current payment of \$50 per game to all directors, regardless of the size of the games.

Shearer recommended that the board think of ways to help Logan encourage the novice players in his classes to participate in games at the club. Suggestions on how to increase attendance at the Monday and Saturday games were also solicited.

The board agreed to suspend the motion from last month agreeing to pay for books and test fees for game director candidates until more information is available.

Signer would like to update the yellow directory of club member information. The board suggested producing an electronic file with new member information and updated information for older members. Bryant will send the file to all unit members.

VI.Adjournment

Thompson moved to adjourn the meeting. Mikulenka seconded. Meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Thompson, secretary