

Gulf Coast Bridge Association
Unit 180
Board of Directors Meeting

August 12, 2008

The meeting was called to order by President, Joyce Dozier at 5:05pm.

Members present:

Walter Lewis, Vice president
Lynne Logan, Treasurer
Ed Guardanapo
Don Hopes
Jane Hardin
Neva Lewis
Frank Battaile
Jim Crowe
Anne Mahaffey
Jerry Grissom
Dick Weaver

Members absent:

Daryl Gahm

Minutes were read by the secretary. Motion made by Walter to accept minutes as read, seconded by Ed Guardanapo. All agreed and the motion carried. Treasure's report was read by the treasurer. Motion made by Jim Crowe to accept report as read, seconded by Neva Lewis. All agreed and the motion carried.

Old Business:

- Tax audit for 2006: Received income for \$30,000 from games and \$30,000 from interest payments. This raised the questions if we were a non-profit organization. Unrelated gross receipts cannot be more than 30% of related income. After an explanation our receipts are much lower at this time due to Katrina and unrelated gross receipts (interest) is due to insurance money and sales proceeds, we will remain non-profit. However, the interest income was taxed for 2006 and 2007. There was no penalty assessed but we had to pay \$6,000.
- Jason Floyd Knock-outs were a disappointment. Only 2 teams showed up. Discussion followed concerning what to do to build it up. Walter Lewis will check out different options and present his report at the next meeting.

New Business:

- Payments to contractors: A Resolution needs to be made for the payments to the contractor within 10 days from receiving the contractor's monthly bills. Walter Lewis made a motion that the treasurer along with another member of the building committee or board will meet with the contractor at the site to inspect the work he is requesting payment on. After satisfaction, the bill can then be paid. Jerry Grissom seconded the motion, all agreed and the motion carried.
- Bond: A suggestion was made that we buy a bond to assure and guarantee that contractor will complete the project and building of the club house. The cost is 2% of the contract, approximately \$11,000. Discussion followed. Joyce discussed our close budget and did not feel we could afford the extra expense. The Building Committee recommended no bond was necessary. A vote of all members was taken, 11 agreed, 1 opposed. Motion carried. The contractor, Morris Johnson welcomed anyone to come visit at any time but not to bother the workers or get in the way. Any questions will go through Joyce Dozier.
- Attorney Calls: We were served a notice about Canal Rd. property. There is a "sliver of land" that was not within the boundaries of land that was sold, although it was stated in the sale, all land owned on Canal Road. The state is seizing some of the land and if we are entitled to the money we will receive it.
- Trophies: Lynne suggested a plaque with the names and dates for winners instead of a trophy, an exception being for the Holiman and Moore trophies. A motion was made by Don Hopes that we have a plaque with names and dates, with the exception of the Holiman and Moore trophy. Seconded by Jane Hardin, all agreed and the motion carried.
- Joyce Dozier introduced Bill Cook, District 10 representative to ACBL. Mr. Cook gave a report on ACBL Director's meeting in Las Vegas in July. Mr. Cook stated that membership in ACBL is good and the retention is very good. He also stated that the requirements for a life master has changed. Starting in January 2010, life master will require 500 points-250 pigmented. These requirements do not apply to people who are ACBL members as of December 31, 2009 and maintained their membership. They will be "grandfathered" in.
- Jerry Grissom requested that the minutes show that the web-site has removed the statement about guaranteed partners.
- Joyce Dozier also made the announcement that a long-time bridge player has died, HC Barlow.
- Walter Lewis made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Lynne Logan.

Meeting adjourned at 5:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty OBrien, Secretary

