

ACBL Unit 180 Board of Directors

Meeting Minutes, Feb. 9, 2016

I. Call to order

Bruce Stinson, president, called to order the regular meeting of the Unit 180 ACBL Board of Directors at 4:30 p.m. on February 9, 2016 at the 4th Street Clubhouse in Gulfport, MS.

II. Attendance

The following board members were present: Robert Burnaman, Sandra Mikulenska, Richard Logan, Bruce Stinson, Kathleen Lawrene, Robert Shearer, Susan Thompson, Caroline Fisher, Jim Crowe, Ed Guardanapo, and Jean Chambley. Richard Bryant, Walter Lewis, Daryl Fisher, and Robert Sylvester were also present.

III. Old Business

Mikulenska moved to accept the January minutes as reported by Thompson and emailed by Stinson. All approved.

Lawrence, head of the social committee, requested help with awards and membership duties. Burnaman volunteered.

IV. Treasury Reports

Treasurer C. Fisher presented four reports:

- Profit & Loss Previous Year Comparison (January 2016),
- Transactional List by Vendor (January 2016),
- Expense and Income Report for the January 2016 Regional Tournament, and
- Profit and Loss by Class (January 2016).

Mikulenska moved to accept the reports, Guardanapo seconded the motion. All approved.

V. New and Ongoing Business

President Stinson introduced Richard Bryant as the new Club Manager of Unit-Owned

Games. He was approved by the ACBL in January 2016. Bryant presented a report comparing the Mobile and Gulfport ACBL clubs in terms of tables played and masterpoints awarded. He concluded that our club needs more special games to bring in more money. He will continue the analysis and present again next month. Bryant also will update the Unit 180 ACBL website.

The Saturday games held in Gulfport are still being subsidized by the club. Lawrence moved to raise the player fee from \$3 to \$5 to cover costs. Motion passed with C. Fisher abstaining. Fisher would like the fee to be only \$4. The club will conduct a survey to see if the players prefer a 10 or 11:30 a.m. start time. The executive committee will decide if there is to be a change in the schedule.

Mikulenka and Lawrence presented the Tournament Oversight Committee's concerns about next year's regional tournament. The January 2016 regional tournament lost \$9000. The Committee will continue to research possible venues, concession fees, and game dates and schedules for the 2018 regional tournament.

President Stinson moved that Lydia White fill the vacancy on the board created by the resignation of Ila Cupp. The term will expire in December 2016. Motion passed unanimously.

The club needs a "House Committee" to handle issues associated with the Gulfport physical facility.

An infraction of the ACBL zero tolerance policy occurred recently at the Gulfport clubhouse. Stinson will write up a policy for the club. Logan will draft a disciplinary letter to be reviewed by Stinson before sending to the offender.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Thompson
Secretary