

Unit 431 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: August 20, 2015

Place: Home of Leslie Wood

Chair: Ele Gibson

Board Members Present:

Deb Carnes
Ele Gibson (Chair)
Tony Farr
Peggy Pepper

Gail Richardson
Jill Stainforth
JP Weber
Leslie Wood

Regrets:

Marnie Hueston
Judy Stewart

1. **Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. Ele Gibson

2. **Approval of Agenda** Ele Gibson

Motion: Tony Farr/Gail Richardson/Leslie Wood that the agenda be approved with the following additions under New Business:

6.g Reference to Proxies in bylaws

6.h Board Positions

MSC

3. **Approval of minutes for June 11, 2015 Regular Board Meeting**

Motion: Leslie Wood/Jill Stainforth that the minutes be approved as distributed. MSC

4. **Matters Arising from the Minutes**

Motion: Peggy Pepper/Leslie Wood that the motion from June 11, 2015 meeting: *that the Unit orders a medal for each first place winners of the Mini-McKenney who wishes to receive a medal be reconsidered.*

MSC/Original motion defeated

Motion: Jill Stainforth/JP Weber that the Unit authorize the Awards Coordinator to purchase Mini McKenney medals each year for presentation at the Annual General Meeting.

MSC

Action items from previous meeting reviewed

5. **Reports**

- **President** (no report)

- **Financial**

Gail Richardson

Available cash as of August 18, 2015 is \$10, 616.03

Motion: Jill Stainforth/Tony Farr that the financial report be placed on file. MSC

- **Membership**

Jill Stainforth

- a. D-Light schedule for the fall:

Every Sunday at 6:45 at Island Bridge Club (starting Sep. 13)

Every 4th Friday at 9 a.m. at Capital City Bridge Club.

- b. Unit 431 current membership is 520

- **Tournament Coordinator**

Tony Farr

- a. 2016 tournament schedule was presented and discussed will be finalized to reflect discussion.

- b. Fall Rookie Game set for Sep.19 at Shannon Oaks Seniors Centre

- c. Fall Sectional arranged for Sep.10-12 (Thurs.-Sat.) at Mary Winspear

- **Awards** medals for Mini McKenney awards purchased

- **Inventory** (Inventory in process)

- **Webmaster** pictures of board members updated considering adding *Hand of the Week*
- **Bridge Buzz** Leslie Wood
Deadline for submissions is August 25
- **Regional Tournament Liaison** Gail Richardson
2017 Regional Committee is working on new flyer design.

6. **New Business**

Ele Gibson

a. **Fall Sectional**

Mass e-mail to be sent out reminding members of sectional dates and details.

b. **Nomination Committee Process**

Motion: Jill Stainforth/Leslie Wood that the unit formalizes the process of establishing a Nominating Committee and its duties by presenting the following proposed bylaw at the 2016 AGM. **MSC**

Proposed Bylaw:

3) **NOMINATIONS:**

- a. A Nominating Committee consisting of three (3) members of ACBL Unit 431, at least two (2) of whom are current board members, shall be appointed by the Unit Board of Directors by October 31. The Nominating Committee shall present a slate of candidates to Unit Board of Directors by mid January of the following year.
- b. A call for nominations shall be issued by the Secretary at least thirty (30) days prior to the Annual General Meeting.
- c. Nominations shall close at the Annual General Meeting.

Motion: JP Weber/Tony Farr that Leslie Wood and Peggy Pepper serve on the Unit Nominating Committee with a third person of their choosing. **MSC**

c. **District 19 Election**

Candidates and election process discussed.

d. **Bridgemates**

Possibility of clubs requiring more Bridgemates discussed.

e. **Date for 2016 AGM**

Date set for February 28, 2016

f. Consideration of amending Bylaws specific to topic of proxies discussed

g. **Appointment of Board Members to Specific Positions**

Motion: Jill Stainforth/Deb Carnes that the positions of President and Vice-president be chosen by secret ballot at the first meeting following the AGM. **MSC**

Adjournment

Ele Gibson

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9: 02 p.m.

Next meeting: September 24, 2015 at Ele's.

Minutes prepared by Peggy Pepper
Approved by Ele Gibson