



Unit 431 Regular Board Meeting

Date/Time: April 22. 2024 @ 4:00 p.m.
Location: 2437 Estevan Ave.
Chair: Ernie Tradewell, President
Attendees: JP Weber, Ruth Davies, Farhad Rohani, Maureen Trappe, Ernie Tradewell, Jill Plasteras, Jill Stainforth
Regrets: Susan Jobbins, Janice Closson
Call to order at 4:10 p.m.

1. Approval of agenda:

Moved by JP; seconded by Janice that the agenda be approved. **Carried.**

2. Approval of minutes:

a) March 5, 2024, Amended Regular Board Meeting:

All Approved amended minutes

3. Matters arising from minutes:

None.

4. Reports:

- a) President: Ernie discussed tournament staffing issues with several senior directors. There was felt to be a need to balance seeding more fairly. Unfortunately, during the Nationals, the prepay system was overwhelmed and crashed. It was not therefore available for the Spring Sectional; this may be rectified in time for the Fall Sectional.
- b) Financial: The Spring Sectional showed a positive result of approximately \$5200. Current balance is \$22,000. Mobox has increased their charge by \$10. per month. It was felt that this is still worth the cost because of the convenience of drop off and pick up. An electronic payment system will be purchased for the upcoming tournaments.

- c) Membership: Duplicate Light is attracting new members and is going well. Jill would like some adjustment in the welcome letter for new members.
- d) Tournament Coordinator: The Spring tournament featured free play on Friday for players with fewer than 25 master points; snacks were not available at the hospitality table; and no lesson was given on Saturday. All these changes were well accepted. Fall Sectional will be at Monterey Centre. Ace of Hearts is booked at Strawberry Vale, May 31, 2024.
- e) Awards: No report.
- f) Inventory: Funding for up to \$3,000. was approved for storage and transport cases for tournament boards.
- g) Regional Liaison: Ocean Shores Regional is now on the ACBL tournament schedule. A new Regional Treasurer was elected.
- h) Webmaster: JP will upgrade the email process for the unit at a cost not to exceed \$100.
- i) Tournament Hand Coordinator: No report.

5. New Business:

- a) Insurance for MoBox contents: Jill is looking into whether we currently have content insurance.

6. Next Meeting date:

- a) June 25, 2024, at Monterey
- b) Adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Maureen Trappe, Secretary

Approved by Ernie Tradewell, President