Unit 431 Regular Board Meeting
Minutes

Date/Time:	December 17. 2024 @ 3:40 p.m.
Location:	Monterey Centre.
Chair:	Ernie Tradewell, President
Attendees:	Ruth Davies, , Maureen Trappe, Ernie Tradewell, , Janice Closson, Susan Jobbins, Jill Stainforth, Jill Plasteras
Regrets:	Farhad Rohani, J P Weber,

Call to order at 3:49 p.m.

1. **Approval of agenda**:

   Moved by Janice; seconded by Ruth that the agenda be approved with an additional item – 5E – Communications. **Carried**.

2. **Approval of minutes**:

   September 30, 2024, Regular Board Meeting:

   All Approved

3. **Matters arising from minutes**:

   None.

4. **Reports**:

   a) President: ACBL Board has voted to increase the 5-5-5 payouts to all units. Express entries will be limited to National events until further notice.

   b) Financial: There is currently $21,600 in the unit accounts plus $1,000 in petty cash and $1,440 remaining from the Education Outreach grant. The Seasonal Gathering cost approximately $500.

   c) Membership: Jill has contacted 13 lapsed members and 6 who are considered 'as-risk'.

   d) Inventory: No report.

e) Regional Liaison: No report

f) Webmaster: No report.

g) Tournament coordinator: Dates are now available for all tournaments through 2029. Ruth is recruiting coordinators for each of them.

h) Tournament Hand coordinator: The work to add labels to all the unit boards is still ongoing.

i) Awards: Janice is looking for quality small gifts.

5. New Business

a) AGM Planning: The Unit AGM has been booked for 12:00, February 21, 2025, at Strawberry Vale Community Club. There will be the AGM meeting, followed by an individual movement game and pizza. This is a free event. Jill is looking for sponsors. Senior Living facilities was suggested. All members have been asked to register with Maureen Trappe to ensure that we have a quorum.

b) Nominations: Gina Curran and Catherine Mustafa have both agreed to have their names put forward. Jill Plasteras will be leaving the board at the conclusion of her current term. Farhad Rohani, Maureen Trappe and Janice Closson will all stand for re-election.

c) Regular meeting place. There is an ongoing search for a more regular home. Ruth suggested we consider either prior to or post-game at either venue.

d) Bridge Etiquette. We are considering asking the game directors to remind the players of one rule of etiquette at the beginning of each game.

e) Communications: We have decided to ask Catherine Mustafa to take on this portfolio. She has demonstrated an interest in this work and a talent for it.

6. Next Meeting date: February 6, 2025.
Adjourned at 4:40

Minutes prepared by Maureen Trappe, Secretary

Approved by Ernie Tradewell, President