

**Minutes of the D-20 Board of Directors Meeting
Emerald Empire Regional
Friday, August 12, 2011**

Jeff Taylor, President	Rich Carle, NA Events Coordinator, Webmaster	Bob Peery, Area 8
Merlin Vilhauer, District Director,	Christine Orchard, Trumpet Editor	Sam Asai, Board of Governors; Area 9
Christy Wiegel, I/N Coordinator	Molly Harris, Area 5	Marilyn Vilhauer, Tournament Chair/Executive Secretary
Larry Crumb, Area 2	John Weatherwax, Area 6	Mary Alice Seville, Education Liaison
Marc Zwerling, Chair, Finance Comm.; Of Counsel	Bobby Thompson, Area 7	Marie Ashton, Treasurer/Secretary
Jamie Newman, proxy for Zelna Morrow, Area 1	Mary Alice Seville, Education Coordinator	Jo Anne Murdock, 1 st Alternate
Karol Monroe, Board of Governors	Bill Moore	Ron Jauch

1. Call to Order- Jeff Taylor

- a. Meeting called to order at 4:40 p.m. by President Jeff Taylor
- b. Attendees introduced themselves and welcomed Jamie Newman as proxy for Bobby Thompson.
- c. Jeff discussed the duties of the Tournament Manager due to two issues:
 - vc.i. A flyer was produced and sent out without approval of the TM.
 - vc.ii. Two people contacted a hotel site and complained about the tournament dates.
- d. Jeff reported that the ACBL board voted 22-2, with 2 abstentions, not to approve the request by Unit 461 to move to District 21. The ACBL board will run a second election.
- e. Some members of the Boise unit expressed an interest in moving from District 18 to District 20. Jeff instructed them about the proper procedures for applying for the change. A straw poll showed the Board in favor.

2. Approval of Minutes from Saturday, February 26, 2011.

- a. Motion made by Molly Harris to accept the minutes, Larry Crumb seconded; motion passed unanimously.

3. Financial Statements-Marie Ashton

- a. At July 31, 2011, half way through the year, total assets were \$162,887, including cash accounts of \$ 155,564 and other receivables of \$7,323.
- b. At July 31, 2011, the District showed a loss of \$2,058 for six months. The budgeted loss was \$6,201. Most of the difference is the deposits made for preregistrations for the Barbara Seagram of almost \$4,000. Last year's six months income was \$5,092, as there were two tournaments by July.
- c. The Oregon Trail Regional was 16% larger than last year, with net income was \$16,846.
- d. Sam Asai moved to accept the financial statements; Larry Crumb seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

4. Tournament Manager-Marilyn Vilhauer

- a. Marilyn reported happily that the Emerald Empire Regional is on track to make 950 tables, which is more than projected. The Gold Rush Pairs were a huge success; the event will probably be run twice next time.
- b. Marilyn distributed flyers to the Area Reps for Seaside, Reno and the Oregon Trail Regional. The Medford flyer will be out in Seaside.
- c. Medford wants starting times at 10am and 3pm. The Board had no objection. More discussion about the timing of Medford next year which is opposite Boise.
- d. Eugene 2013 conflicts now with the Summer NABCs, so Eugene will be moved.
- e. Marilyn will explore Sun River for a Regional. She called Sisters, but their space is too small.
- f. PDI has announced they are selling the business when they find a buyer(s). They hope to do this by the end of this year.

5. **District Director-Merlin Vilhauer**
 - a. The national board voted against the move of Unit 461 because they did not feel they followed procedures.
 - b. The ACBL has hired a new CEO, but the name can't be released due to person's commitment to his prior company.
 - c. The ACBL is rewriting the scoring program and has hired a project manager. Merlin is asking for suggestions for the rewrite.
 - d. Merlin explained the "strength of field" concept for master point awards being discussed by the Board.
 - e. The starting times for the Atlanta Summer NABCs in 2013 will be 10am and 3pm.
6. **Tournament Coordinator-Larry Crumb**
 - a. Larry provided an updated schedule of tournaments and asked people to notify him if there are issues.
7. **North American Events-Rich Carle**
 - a. Rich reported on the NAP finals in Louisville and the GNT finals in Toronto.
 - b. Rich discussed online GNT competition and thinks the District will try it next year, as the ACBL has sanctioned it. The Board was in favor, through a straw poll of further exploration and planning.
8. **Trumpet Editor-Christine Orchard**
 - a. Christine stated that she will change the next issue to 16 pages and reduce the November issue to 12 pages.
 - b. The Editor noted that District 19 has not been contacted about putting articles in the Trumpet.
9. **Intermediate/Newcomer Coordinator-Christy Wiegel**
 - a. Eugene has had a 28% in I/N attendance from 2009.
 - b. Christy thanked Mary Alice for her help with the speakers at this tournament.
10. **Education Liaison-Mary Alice Seville**
 - a. The registration for Barbara Seagram's workshops is almost at capacity at this time. The Board gave her a round of applause
11. **Open items**
 - a. Bylaw revision committee report-Jeff Taylor
 - va.i. Jeff deferred to Karol Monroe and John Weatherwax for a report on the Bylaws. They presented an Overview of Proposed Bylaws Revisions.
 - va.ii. The committee of Marc Zwerling, Karol Monroe, John Weatherwax and Jeff Taylor. A straw poll was taken and the Board is in favor of reviewing a draft in Seaside. The draft will be sent to the Area Reps.
 - b. Bend regional-The exploration will continue. Sam Asai moved that a Regional Planning Committee be appointed, Bob seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The committee members will be the same as the Bend committee, with the addition of Sam.
12. **New Business**
 - a. Sam Asai recommends that the Board authorize investment in bonds of \$50,000 of the reserves. A motion was made and seconded to appoint the finance committee to explore investments. The motion passed 5 for 1 against with one abstention.
 - b. Area representative terms expiring are Zelna Morrow, Area 1, Bob Peery Area 8 and Merle Stetser, Area 4. Zelna will not run and was formally thanked for her service; Bob will run and we have no information yet about Merle.
 - c. There were no candidates for 1st or 2nd Alternate; an ad will run in the Trumpet stating that the positions are open for appointment. Jeff volunteered for 1st Alternate and Jo Anne Murdock volunteered for 2nd Alternate. Jeff will wait to see if anyone else is interested.
 - d. Jamie Newman reported that Unit 461 has not received information about the new election other than their intent to have the election completed by the end of the year. Jamie requested information to educate the Unit members about the reasons for staying with the District so that they hear two sides to the issue.
13. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm by President Taylor. The next meeting will be for Friday, September 30 at 4:30 in Seaside.

Respectfully submitted,
Marie Ashton, Secretary
August 17, 2011

