Minutes of the D-20 Board of Directors Meeting Emerald Empire Regional Valley River Inn, Eugene, OR

Thursday, July 25, 2013

Note: these minutes were approved by the D20 Board in Seaside on October 4, 2013.

Molly Harris, President	Rich Carle, NA Events Coordinator, Webmaster	Bob Peery, Area 8, Vice President
MerlinVilhauer, District Director,	Mike Eyer, Recorder	Sam Asai, Board of Governors; Area 9
Chip Dombrowski, Trumpet Editor	Jeff Taylor, 1st Alternate District Director	Marilyn Vilhauer, Tournament Contract
John Ashton, Retired National Tournament Director	Sue Kroning, Area 6, Treasurer	Mary Alice Seville, Education Liaison
Margi Redden, I/N Coordinator	Gee Gee Walker, Area 7, Secretary	Marie Ashton Business and Tournament Manager
Nelda Linman, Board of Governors	Pat Pommerenck, Area 1	Ian Martindale, Area 3

1. Call to Order- Molly Harris 4:45

- 2. **John Ashton** gave his personal opinion that a five session final for the District team finals for the Open flight is excessive. He also praised the efforts of Rich Carle and emphasized the long hours Rich put in to make all of the finals run smoothly.
- 3. **Minutes-Oregon Trail Regional, Saturday, February 23, 2013-**Sam Asai moved to approve the minutes as presented; Bob Peery seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- 4. **Financial Statements-Marie Ashton** Ian Martindale moved to approve the Statements of Reserves at 6/30/2013, the Income Statement for the 5 months ended 6/30/2013 and the 2013 Oregon Trail Regional report as presented. Bob Peery seconded; motion passed unanimously. Reserves at 6/30 were \$184,664; 5 month loss is \$8,482 and the OTR net income was \$11,752.

5. Tournament Manager-Marie Ashton:

- a. Eugene regional attendance is up through Wednesday, July 24 by11% from 2011. New management at the Valley River Inn has upgraded the hotel. They have also been more rigid in the past as far as varying from the contract. Examples are: Not allowing us to exceed room block with tournament rates. They also are charging for speakers for our microphone, which the contract states is free. Marilyn Vilhauer is negotiating with the hotel for some relief.
- b. Seaside tournament is in the final planning stages. We look forward to another successful tournament there.
- c. Marie has been working with Nelda Linman and Dee Cockfield in planning the Sunriver tournament in May 2014. She will make a pre tournament planning trip there in August.

6. Tournament Contracts-Marilyn Vilhauer

- a. `Reports on contract for 2014 in Medford with the Red Lion.
- b. Discussed the issues with the 2013 Valley River Inn contract and efforts to obtain concessions.

7. District Director-Merlin Vilhauer

- a. Reported on actions taken by the ACBL Board at their meeting at the St Louis NABC in March.
- b. Discussed online NA events. Merlin will take a motion to the Board to allow online pairs finals at the district level.

8. Tournament coordinator's report presented by President Molly Harris

- a. Larry discussed the new system implanted by ACBL to handle scheduling tournaments, called TourneyTrax.
- b. Larry provided an up to date listing of D20 tournaments and regionals in surrounding districts through 2015.

9. North American Events-Rich Carle

- a. Rich discussed several motions that will be presented at the ACBL meeting in Atlanta in August, 2013 that affect the pairs and team events at the district level.
- b. The NA Events committee met on June 29 and made the following recommendations, which Rich presented to the Board:
 - vb.i. For the pairs final, have a face to face qualifying in October and online finals later, assuming the ACBL Board approves online NAP events.
 - b.i.1. If no online approval, hold Flight A as a one site competition and rotate the venues around the district.

- vb.ii. For teams, approve a \$15 exemption fee for players who have not qualified in the clubs.
 - b.ii.1. Two weekend finals for the Open flight
 - b.ii.2. Face to face finals for the Open flight if both teams are in the same city.
- c. By a straw poll, of 7 for and 0 against the board recommended a one weekend final for the Open flight.
- d. Merlin Vilhauer moved that the Board approve increasing the expense reimbursement for the NA Events Coordinator by \$500 per year. Seconded by Ian, passed unanimously.
- 10. **Intermediate**/ **Newcomer-Margi Redden-** The attendance in I/N events has been good at this tournament and the reception was a huge success.
- 11. **Trumpet-**Chip Dombrowski- Chip continues to have more material than he needs to fill the full 16 page paper each two months.
- 12. Education-Mary Alice Seville- Mary Alice asked for direction from the board for the idea of moving the education festival to other regionals besides Seaside was put out for discussion by the Board. The festival is made up of two parts on alternating years; the featured speaker on year and the Teachers and Directors courses the next year. The board agreed that the District would benefit from moving the courses around to different areas. Arguments were made pro and con for moving the featured speaker around.
- 13. **Bylaws Committee-Sue Kroning** The MOPP is in progress. Voting on MOPP provisions has been deferred to Seaside. Sue reported that it is now posted on the District website. The committee has been expanded to include Bob Peery, Marilyn Vilhauer and Gee Gee Walker.
- 14. **Marketing Committee-Ian Martindale.** The committee recommends that the District financially subsidize the clubs and units in their efforts to attract new members. The board suggested that he write an article for the trumpet with suggestions for clubs and units. Ian will present a proposal for funds to the Finance Committee.
- 15. **Goodwill Committee-Marilyn Vilhauer.** No action has been taken by the committee at this time. Marilyn plans to get guidance from other districts with committees at the NABC in Atlanta this year. One of the items discussed was how many goodwill members to appoint each year and how the appointments should be made.
- 16. Meeting was adjourned at 6:35. The next meeting will be in Seaside.