

DISTRICT 6 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

21 August 1999

The District 6 Board of Governors meeting was called to order by the President at 5:45 PM at Hunt Valley, MD.

Present: President: Andre L'Heureux
Vice President: Jim Hooven
Treasurer: Steve Robinson
Secretary: Bette Dudka

Unit Presidents: Geoff Mallette (231), Margot Hennings (218), Jim Callas (135),
Jim Allen (147), Stu Kleiman (109)

Representatives: Jerry Keller, Donna Bowser, Patricia Wilson (135), Gloria Brown,
Darwin Afdahl (146), Marge Wilson, Jim Wood, Rae Dethlefsen,
Barbara Doran, Bill Cole, Michael Carroad, (147)

Guests: Kathryn Rossman (218), Don Berman (147), Pat Seiler (160)

District 6 Representative: Nadine Wood
District 6 Coordinator: Millard Nachtwey

1. Minutes: The minutes of 3 July 1999 were approved as presented.

2. Treasurer's Report: Steve Robinson reported we had \$5,758.46 in the treasury, this included \$1811.17 profit from GNTs and NAPs. We saved some money this year since one Flt A GNT member did not participate and ACBL inadvertently paid for two NAPs.

3. District Coordinator's Report: Millard Nachtwey advised the board that it was time to start thinking about 2001.

3. Finance Committee Report: Jim Hooven reported that the Finance Committee addressed two items. One dealt with a NAP and the Committee recommended that the host of the NAP District Finals be reimbursed for any expenses incurred hosting the Finals. Second, GNT policy will remain as presently stated: Two hotel nights and the cheapest airfare available for a 4-person team.

4. GNTeams Coordinator's Report: Rae Dethlefsen said she had nothing to report other than ACBL has raised the table requirements from \$1.00 per team per session to \$1.25 per team per session. Despite the ACBL increase, Ms. Dethlefsen recommended District 6 not increase table fees this year since we had done so last year. Next year when we go to a different format with four flights, we can revisit the issue.

5. NAPs Coordinator's Report: Nothing to report -- everything fine.

6. District Director's Report: Nadine Wood said in the future she would E-Mail her report, but if anyone wanted a copy to advise her and she would send them one. She also wanted to discuss the differential entry fee which the ACBL just passed effective with the San Antonio NABC. Mr. Nachtwey offered some current data here at Hunt Valley, stating \$40, a dollar at a time, was collected, and that 9 \$27 LM renewals and 5 new memberships, mostly from the novices, had been collected. Ms. Wood stated that foreign players, mostly at Nationals, were readily applying for ACBL membership. ACBL always get the MPs restored, but non-LMs have until 31 August 1999 to re-apply and get MPs recorded by ACBL. After that date, they will have to pay for restored MPs.

Ms. Wood asked that names be submitted for Goodwill Committee members and also Charity Committee members (for honorary recognition). She asked members to advise her of their nominations. Darwin Afdahl asked that a District Goodwill membership list be published. Nadine Wood said she would send the Secretary a list for publication.

7. Charity Committee Report: Gloria Brown reported that the 1999 District-Wide Charity Game had 251 tables in place and raised \$1,520 for charity. No dates have been selected for 2000. Ms. Brown said she had received a request from a man whose child had diabetes asking that the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation be named as our charity for this year. The President decided that requests of this nature could not be handled by the District and Ms. Brown will notify the man accordingly.

8. Education Committee Report: In Kay Afdahl's absence, there was no report. However, Jim Allen asked on behalf of club owners that an educational policy on reimbursement be established so that clubs know what their position is. The President said he would ask Kay Afdahl to have a written policy ready for presentation in Virginia Beach.

9. I/N Program: Donna Bowser reported that Hunt Valley had been averaging 16 tables in the afternoon -- and of those tables, 7 have been EasyBridge. A lot of discussion ensued on if EasyBridge was working and what the retention rate is. Boggs, the MABC tracking person, has produced no results so far. Clubs are not reporting information. Now that ACBL is taking over and it's a ACBL-wide program, we should start receiving data. Donna Bowser said that reimbursement do not include rental of space or cost of directors -- just the materials and start-up costs.

10. Supplement Committee Report: A final report was distributed to Board members. Nadine Wood stated that no changes were made since the Alexandria meeting, only the report had been refined for final approval. The President asked the Board for approval of the report and the report was accepted for implementation.

11. StaC Report: Michael Carroad reported that invitations to clubs would be mailed around the end of September. Districts 6/7, Delaware, and possibly Alabama and Florida would participate. The President appointed two other members to the StaC Committee other than himself and Michael Carroad (the Coordinators) -- Stu Kleiman and Geoff Mallette. He is asking for volunteers from District 7 (Len Case, Mike Kovacich) to assure monies are disbursed appropriately.

OLD BUSINESS;

District 6 Hall of Fame: Jim Allen reported that a good while ago, Nancy Witschey appointed a Committee (Jim Allen - Nadine Wood, Harry Yockey, Jennifer Christman, Barb Doran, Andre L'Heureux) to look into the possibility of having a District 6 Hall of Fame. Mr. Allen circulated a proposal and stated he would like to postpone discussion until Virginia Beach so that everyone would have an opportunity to read it over, then the Committee could answer questions. He stated that the majority of the Board would have to be in favor of doing it before the Committee started working because, if passed, it would require a lot of work. The proposal would have to be re-written incorporating all ideas from the Board. Who would be inducted? That's an important consideration and has to be thought out very carefully. My goal is to ask the Board: Do we want to have a District 6 Hall of Fame? Subject tabled until Virginia Beach.

Regional Replacement: Millard Nachtwey stated that The Hotel Roanoke was under new management and we should explore the possibility of returning there, possibly in 2003. They should be able to get a package together for consideration.

The President thanked Patricia Wilson and her staff for another GREAT! Regional. Michael Carroad added that figures show that this will be the largest District 6 Regional ever, right at 3,000 tables.

Date of Next District 6 Meeting: The next meeting will be a breakfast meeting on Saturday, 23 October 1998, 9:00 AM, at the Virginia Beach Regional. Please advise the Secretary if you plan to attend.

There being no further business, Bette Dudka moved that the meeting be adjourned. Jim Allen seconded. The meeting stood adjourned at 7:05 PM.

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Respectfully submitted,

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