

## DISTRICT 6 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

23 October 1999

The District 6 Board of Directors meeting was called to order by the President at 10:00 AM at Virginia Beach, VA.

Present:	President:	Andre L'Heureux
	Vice President:	Jim Hooven
	Secretary:	Bette Dudka
Unit Presidents:	Geoff Mallette (231)	Margot Hennings (218)
	Jim Callas (135)	Jim Allen (147)
	Harry Yockey (146)	
Representatives:	Jerry Keller (135)	Donna Bowser (135)
	Gloria Brown (146)	Darwin & Kay Afdahl (146)
	Marge Wilson (147)	Rae Dethlefsen (147)
	Michael Carroad (147)	Bill Cole (147)
	Edith Dovel (110)	Bob MacCleave (109)
	Katherin Rossman (218)	
District 6 Representative:	Nadine Wood	
District 6 Coordinator:	Millard Nachtwey	

**1. Minutes:** The minutes of 21 August 1999 were approved as presented.

**2. Treasurer's Report:** In the absence of Steve Robinson, a written report was distributed noting no transactions and indicating a current balance of \$4,435.17

**3. District Coordinator's Report:** Millard Nachtwey, on behalf of Barbara Doran (NAP Coordinator), solicited input from Unit Presidents on whether to have NAP Unit Finals next year, adding that we would not really get any feedback for this year until January 2000 when the District Finals are held in Williamsburg, too late for planning.. Bill Cole stated that the reason it was initially brought up to eliminate the Unit Finals was that the players did not want them. We have a lot more options to schedule the District Finals if we can pull it out of January and schedule it in one of the fall month, so players won't be faced with snow and other weather conditions.

**4. Finance Committee Report:** Jim Hooven said the last Finance Committee meeting was so successful, they had no cause to meet during this tournament.

**5. GNTeams Coordinator's Report:** Rae Dethlefsen said except for cosmetic changes, the Conditions of Contest approved at Hunt Valley are ready for distribution -- except there is no site yet. The Board gave final approval for the Conditions of Contest and Ms. Dethlefsen will mail them to the Coordinators as soon as a site is found and a date set. She set a deadline of 16 November 1999 for this action. Ms. Dethlefsen reminded the Board that the GNT will have 4 flights next year - Championship Flt - 0 to Unlimited MPs, Flt A - 0-5000 MPs, Flt B 0-2000 MPs, Flt C Non-LM to 500 MPs.

**6. NAPs Coordinator's Report:** Bill Cole reported for Barbara Doran: District Finals on 22-23 January 2000 in Richmond. On 23 January we will run an open consolation. Since the NAPs conflict with the World Championships in Bermuda this year, if a NAP qualifier is playing in a World Championship event on Friday and cannot get to Richmond in time to play Saturday, they will be granted a waiver for Saturday and will be permitted to play on Sunday, 23 January. We do not expect that many players will be in that position, but those that are will receive a waiver. Mr. Cole so moved. Geoff Mallette seconded. Motion carried.

**7. District Director's Report:** Nadine Wood informed the Board she had appointed Kay Krebs, Janet Gookin, Nancy Thompson, and Karen Alpaugh to the Goodwill Committee. Mary Wilson and Patricia Wilson were appointed to the Charity Committee. Ms. Wood distributed a list of current Goodwill Committee members.

Ms. Wood advised that New York City will probably be approved as the site of the 2004 Summer Nationals.

**8. Charity Committee Report:** Gloria Brown advised the Board that April 5 and 6, 2000, had been selected for the District 6-wide Charity Game. Wednesday, April 5, will be the daytime game and Thursday, April 6, will be the evening game. The evening game will have hand analyses. Gloria Brown moved that these dates be approved. Geoff Mallette seconded. Carried.

**9. Education Committee Report:** Kay Afdahl stated her education policy report was in writing and she handed out copies to the Board. Marge Wilson stated she thought the policy should be printed in the supplement so that everyone could read it, not necessarily just club managers. It might get someone else interested in doing a program. Jim Allen made a motion that this policy be disseminated to all District 6 clubs. Nadine Wood seconded the motion. Motion carried. This policy excludes Easy Bridge.

**10. I/N Program:** Donna Bowser had no report.

**11. StaC Report:** Michael Carroad stated that apparently the terms of running the StaC were not clear, and he advised the Board of his understanding of what was agreed to: that Districts 6/7 were going to jointly sponsor a StaC every year, and the proceeds from the StaC were going to be used to fund hospitality at Nationals within the Mid Atlantic. Obviously, the first one will be the 2002 Washington NABC, the next would probably be Atlanta in 2006. District 7 is concerned about getting their share when their time comes. Some board members thought there was a \$25,000 cap on 2002. Nothing was resolved. The President is going to meet with District 7 and try to work out a share distribution and will report back to the Board.

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#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**District 6 Hall of Fame:** Jim Allen made a motion that District 6 approve the plans he presented earlier in the week to have a Hall of Fame. Jim Hooven seconded the motion. Motion carried. Bette Dudka and Gloria Brown opposed. The President will appoint a nominating committee for the Hall of Fame.

**Hotel Roanoke - Possible Regional Site:** Geoff Mallette stated he had a meeting with interested people who would like to have another tournament in Roanoke. He felt enough support would be given and volunteers would be plentiful. Fletcher Smoak and Jerry Woodrum, former Roanoke TCs, attended and expressed interest. He then introduced Lynn and Ivan Rattinger who have been in discussions with Hotel Roanoke. He asked the hotel what the rate would be for July 2002 and they said under \$90. Mr. Rattinger spoke of the many benefits of having a Regional in Roanoke -- the climate, another possible site for a MABC Regional, sites around Roanoke, geographical location, etc. He asked for Board approval to discuss this further with the hotel for July 2002. Nadine Wood reminded the Board that July 2002 had already been assigned to Columbia, SC -- adding, however, that the year did not have to be 2002. The President stated that Roanoke would be a viable place to play and if they could propose another date and a month other than July, District 6 would encourage and support their exploratory efforts.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Rumor Re MBA Withdrawing from District 6:** Jim Callas addressed the Board re the rumor floating around the Hunt Valley Regional, and brought up again at the MABC meeting in Atlanta, that the MBA was going to withdraw from District 6 and join another District due to the harassment received by their Regional tournament chairman by the MABC. He stated that about 10 days ago, he, Patricia Wilson, Michael Carroad, Nadine Wood, and Andre L'Heureux met to discuss the situation. This talk going around was nothing but rumors -- it was never discussed at any official unit meeting. The meeting we had was to quell these rumors. We mutually agreed that

the MBA had no desire to withdraw and that the MBA would use tact and diplomacy when dealing with things of this nature, it was a very productive meeting. The President stated he would bring Mr. Callas' comments to the MABC Board and stress that there should be more tact and diplomacy in dealing with our Regional TCs. .

**Proposed Bylaw Change:** The President said he would like to have a bylaw change to permit the President of MABC to participate in District 6 meetings as a non-voting member. Also, a bylaw change to permit District 6 Representatives to the MABC Board to become non-voting members of the District 6 Board. After discussion, it was the consensus of the Board that this did not require a bylaw change. Margot Hennings moved that the MABC President and Vice President and the MABC representatives be non-voting members of the District 6 Board. Nadine Wood seconded. Motion carried.

**District 6 Supplement:** Margot Hennings stated that a WBL Sectional had been omitted from the District 6 supplement to the April ACBL Bulletin. After discovering this omission, Ms. Hennings put a "stop order" on the supplement so that the WBL ad could be included. A \$400 charge incurred. It was agreed between the parties that the MABC would pay \$134, WBL and District 6 would pay \$133. Bette Dudka moved that this expenditure be approved. Jim Hooven seconded. Motion carried.

The President stated he was concerned about the large lapse between our meeting in Williamsburg and our meeting in July and asked about the possibility of having a meeting before July? Gatlinburg and Raleigh were both discussed as possible meeting sites. Nothing was finalized and the President will advise members of the Board when a site and date is selected.

The President thanked Judy Bates and Jennifer Christman for their hard work in hosting another successful Virginia Beach Regional.

**Date of Next District 6 Meeting:** The next meeting will be a breakfast meeting on Saturday, 15 January 2000, 10 AM, at the Williamsburg Regional. Please advise the Secretary if you plan to attend.

There being no further business, Jim Callas moved that the meeting be adjourned. Harry Yockey seconded. The meeting stood adjourned at **11:45 AM!!**

Respectfully submitted,

BETTE DUDKA

District 6 Secretary