DISTRICT 6 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

15 January 2000

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

Present: President: Andre L'Heureux

Secretary: Bette Dudka

Unit Presidents: Geoff Mallette (231) Stu Kleiman (109)

Jim Allen (147) Jennifer Christman (146)

Representatives: Jerry Keller (135) Donna Bowser (135)

Gloria Brown (146) Darwin & Kay Afdahl (146)

Patricia Wilson (135) Rae Dethlefsen (147)

Michael Carroad (147) Bill Cole (147)
Barbara Doran (147) Edith Dovel (110)

Katherin Rossman (218)

Guests: Lynn Rattinger (231) Ivan Rattinger (231)

Jim Creach (109)

District 6 Coordinator: Millard Nachtwey

1. Minutes: The minutes of 23 October 1999 were approved as presented.

- **2.** Treasurer's Report: Mr. Robinson informed the Board that so far this year, we have had no big expenses and no income. His written Treasurer's Report distributed to the Board indicated \$5099.56 in our checking account.
- <u>3. District Coordinator's Report:</u> Millard Nachtwey stated that the Sectional 2000 schedule was almost finalized and it was time for TCs to think about 2001.
- **4. Finance Committee Report:** In the absence of Jim Hooven, there was no report.
- 5. GNTeams Coordinator's Report: Rae Dethlefsen said the GNT was well into the club qualifying stage which would be over in about 2 weeks. She stated that some may not be aware that we are trying a new experiment this year -- Flts B and C District Finals will be held at split sites, one in MD at the Kensington Community Center and one in Williamsburg in conjunction with the Williamsburg Sectional on April 1 and 2. Ms. Dethlefsen stated she would give a report at the July Regional on the results of this experiment. Flt A Finals will be held at the Kensington Community Center in Maryland.
- **6. NAPs Coordinator's Report:** Barbara Doran reminded the Board that we tried a new experiment this past year by eliminating Unit Finals. The District Finals will be next weekend in Richmond, and Ms. Doran was not sure how good a test Richmond would be. However, a decision needs to be made for next years planning. The primary reason for eliminating the Unit Finals is so the District Finals can be scheduled in the fall months instead of January. Nancy Witschey moved that we eliminate the NAP Unit Finals for a second year. Kay Afdhal amended the motion to say that we move the Finals closer to the qualifying stage and players be informed that after the Club qualifying stage, the next step is the District Finals. Amendment accepted, motion carried.
- 7. District Director's Report: No report.

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8. Charity Committee Report: Gloria Brown reminded the Board that April 5 and 6, 2000, had been approved 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.

9. Education Committee Report: Kay Afdahl had no report.

10. I/N Program: Donna Bowser reported that we had no Easybridge! tables at this Regional.

11. StaC Report: Michael Carroad stated we had 2382 tables participating, the largest StaC held in the east --huge! The participation from our guests from District 10 was very high, and participation from the locals in Districts 6 and 7 was very disappointing. We made a profit of about \$9,000. The President commended Michael Carroad and expressed our appreciation for the phenomenal amount of work he has been doing -- especially with the StaC. Mr. Carroad received a round of applause from the Board.

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OLD BUSINESS:

<u>Hotel Roanoke January 2003 Regional:</u> Geoff Mallette reported that the Rattingers have had more discussions with Hotel Roanoke since our last meeting and the room rate has been lowered to \$89, a \$20 reduction. He said the hotel was very enthusiastic about having our Regional since it is an off-week for the hotel. Negotiations are still on-going and the \$3,000+ per day for functional space is one thing to be settled. Mr. Mallette made a motion that District 6 support Roanoke's effort to continue negotiations for the January 2003 Regional. Kay Afdahl seconded the motion. Motion carried.

<u>District 6 Hall of Fame</u>: The President stated that the Board was less than enthusiastic when the Hall of Fame was discussed and voted on at the last meeting. Some members said they would have voted it down, but thought that it was a "done deal" and didn't voice any objections (only two members voiced opposition). He further stated that since it was voted on and passed, we are going to go forward, but how fast it goes forward and what is accomplished is another thing. The president stated he would like to get a consensus on "is it a good idea" or "not a good idea". So far, it's almost evenly divided. A lot of discussion ensued -- hurt feelings, egos, deceased players, player recognition, volunteers, etc. The President stated he would select a committee of 5 -- three from the north, 2 from the south, after receiving input from the Unit Presidents.

Kay Afdahl made a motion that we investigate and implement Mr. Cole's suggestion that we publicize our volunteers by writing an article to appear in the Daily Bulletin. No second. But everyone seemed to think it was a good idea.

NEW BUSINESS:

<u>Annual Meeting and Election of Officers:</u> The President appointed Barbara Doran as Chairman of the Nominating Committee to present a slate of officers at the Annual Meeting at the July Regional. Ms. Doran selected Kay Afdahl and Jim Callas to serve with her. The President also asked Ms. Doran to select a slate of Mid Atlantic representatives (10), also to be voted on at the July 4th Regional.

The President thanked Edith Dovel, Wyatt Mapp, and their staff for another enjoyable and successful Williamsburg Regional.

<u>Date of Next District 6 Meeting:</u> The next meeting will be the annual meeting. A breakfast meeting on Saturday, 1 July 2000, at 10 AM. Please advise the Secretary if you plan to attend.

There being no further business, Bette Dudka moved that the meeting be adjourned. Barbara Doran seconded. The meeting stood adjourned at 11:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

BETTE DUDKA District 6 Secretary

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