

MINUTES

District 6 Board of Directors Meeting Bethesda, MD

July 5, 2014

Those Present:

Officers:	President Vice President Secretary Treasurer	Don Berman Richard Deyerle Melinda Dow Ron Spieker
Unit Presidents	Carolyn Wood (Unit 110 Proxy), M. Bergen-Strauss (Proxy Unit 135), Susan Bowles (Unit 146 Proxy), Richard Ferrin (Unit 147), Alan Dockterman (Unit 218 Proxy), Rich Rio (Unit 231), with Unit 109, 139 not represented.	
Other Voting Members	Margot Hennings (ACBL District 6 Rep), Steve Robinson (1 st Alternate to District 6 Rep), Shawn Stringer (ACBL 2 nd Alternate to District 6 Rep), Will Williams (Board of Governors), Barbara Doran (Board of Governors), Fred King (Board of Governors), Tom Dow (Past-President)	
Non-Voting Members	Scott Tumperi, Zeke Letellier, Bill Cole, Lucy McCoy, Lynn Jones	
Guests	Jennifer Koonce, Jim Gerding, Kevin O'Brien, Doug Grove (DIC), Jim Villaneuva (District 7 President), Julie Marquette	
Welcome	Don Berman welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Don mentioned that the table count is at 2275 and is about even with two years ago.	
Secretary	Minutes from the Williamsburg meeting were approved as submitted.	
Treasurer	Ron Spieker presented the treasurer's report which was approved as submitted. Sixty checks for the last STAC were sent to an incorrect address. Doug is working on setting up procedures to prevent this from happening again. Treasurer's report approved.	
MABC Report	Tom Dow reported that Williamsburg and Hilton Head had record turnouts of 2400 and 4000 tables. Gatlinburg and Raleigh were both down about 200 tables. MABC will continue to run the tournaments as before through the end of 2014. Saturday night there was a meeting of the 2 district presidents to discuss what they are doing to facilitate the restructuring of the MABC.	

District Director's Report: Doug Grove announced that he will be retiring in January 31, 2015. Don thanked Doug for all the good work he's done and wished him well in his retirement. Doug said the ACBL is in the process of a comprehensive review of their hiring and recruitment of tournament directors. Margot talked at length about the Tournament Director University which was started last year. Margot has been working with Jeff Johnston of the ACBL on the issue of recruiting and training new DIC's. Directors will go to Memphis for extensive training to become regional DIC's. She spoke of the importance of each district growing their own tournament directors.

20,000 decks of NABC cards will arrive before Hunt Valley. Margot is hoping to use the revenue from STAC's to buy down the cost of parking.

Committee Reports:

Tournaments: Lucy McCoy-The Board voted to hold 4 D6/Unit 190 STaCs in 2015 on these dates: February 9-15, May 4-10, September 14-20 and December 14-20, 2015.

The Board voted to hold NABC Fund games in clubs the weeks of September 1-7, 2014 and June 8-14, 2015. Directions for holding these games in 2014 will be sent out to club owners in August. Motion carried.

GNT/NAP: Lynn Jones said they were very successful this year-raising over \$1300. ACBL is now letting us know who is running qualifiers to help us make sure all funds are sent in a timely manner. Barb Doran asked unit presidents to encourage club owners to run qualifiers for NAP.

Table Talk: no report

Recorder: no report

Appellate: no report

Regional Selection: Fred King is taking over the chairmanship from Don Berman. He would like a more balanced committee with representatives from the southern part of the district.

Charity/Goodwill: no report

Webmaster: no report

STAC: ACBL STAC director in charge recommended that playing club directors could receive awards as long as they do not hand-duplicate the boards. They do not need to send in a request in writing each time; there will be a blanket approval. Motion approved.

Finance: Shawn recommended we approve the Charlottesville budget. Motion carried.

New Business:

Membership transfer from unit 110 to unit 146. Motion carried.

Don will be working with District 4 in working out an arrangement to display each other's banners at the regional tournaments.

Election of Officers: Don Berman, President, Richard Deyerle, Vice President, Julie Marquette, Secretary, Ron Spieker, Treasurer. No nominations from the floor. Slate approved.

MABC Reorganization: Shawn Stringer distributed a list of regional management committees and subcommittees. She would like each person to have a specific task on each committee. She requested that people email her with suggestions or questions.

Ron Spieker led a lengthy discussion on the liability of alcohol being served in the hospitality suites. It is the policy of D6 to not serve alcohol in the hospitality suite unless it is properly licensed and properly insured under the legal jurisdiction the tournament is being held starting at the end of the Bethesda Regional Tournament. Motion approved. 2 opposed.

District 7 President Jim Villaneuva said that District 7 is forming a Tournament Operations Committee to help in the transition from MABC running their regionals to District 7 running their regionals.

Educational Foundation: Motion for permission to ask the attorney to change the Articles of Incorporation to make the 12 members the Board of Directors. Motion approved.

Next meeting at Hunt Valley, August 16th. Breakfast at 10:00 am and meeting at 10:30.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 am.