

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF DISTRICT 18

The Board of Directors of District 18 met Friday, May 19, 1995 during the Idaho Falls Regional. Board members in attendance were: Ron Hemeon, Karen Eble, Floyd Hawley, Lila Cochran, Floyd Derkat, Kay Reese, and Dick Anderson. Roger Putnam, Bob Donaldson, Steve Bates, Marie Jolley, Sally Christensen and Sue McCoskery were also present.

The president, Ron Hemeon, called the meeting to order and welcomed new board members Floyd Derkat of Edmonton, Alberta and Kay Reese of Salt Lake City, Utah. Sally Christensen was thanked for her service to the Board.

The president asked for nominations to fill the position of secretary for the coming year. Floyd Hawley nominated Lila Cochran as secretary of the District. The nomination was seconded and unanimously carried.

Sally Christensen expressed some doubt as to whether OK and Karen Johnson were willing to chair the Salt Lake Regional and also expressed concern about overspending that had been done at previous Utah regionals. After considerable discussion the Board agreed that Kay Reese respond in writing to the chairpeople of the two upcoming regionals, Salt Lake City and Wendover, and that they be given the District's Regional Guidelines with the message that overspending would not be tolerated.

Sue McCoskery presented a report to the Board on the status of Wasumi. It was felt that distribution of Wasumi should continue to be sent to club managers in an effort to cut down on costs. Sue asked for an updated list of club managers for distribution. Floyd Hawley suggested that problems involving distribution of the Wasumi be taken care of by the district representative of the respective state or province.

Sally Christensen and Sue McCoskery were excused from the meeting and minutes of the last meeting from Butte, Montana were considered. Minor changes were suggested and the minutes stood approved as corrected.

Floyd Hawley presented the treasurer's report, a copy

of which is attached hereto. Kay Reese moved we accept the treasurer's report as presented. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Marie Jolley reported on the success of the North American Open Pairs in Cut Bank, Montana with a net revenue of \$107.00 and the Grand National Teams District Finals in Great Falls, Montana with a net revenue of \$786.55. Copies of the reports are attached hereto.

Dick Anderson reported to the Board a request from ACBL that each district make a contribution to support the Junior World Camp going to Belgium. After considerable discussion Floyd Hawley moved the District contribute the requested \$400.00 to help defray expenses for the Junior World Camp.

Dick Anderson brought up the matter of the Grand National Teams and the fact that District 18 has not been represented for the last three years. The Board discussed various ways to raise money to subsidize the teams, including raising the table fees at the local level and requesting waiver of sanction fees for certain regional events. Roger Putnam will check into the possibility of waiver of sanction fees for certain regional events. Floyd Hawley moved the District subsidize \$1,000.00 per team for Flight A, Flight B and Flight C for 1996 and discuss the matter again at the spring tournament in 1996. Funding for the subsidy would be made by a combination by charging \$6.00 per table at the lower levels and the remainder provided by the District. Karen Eble seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

The president acknowledged a letter from ACBL thanking District 18 for its contribution of \$84.00 from the Butte, Montana Regional in 1994, to ACBL's Charity of the Year.

The president asked for suggestions to fill the position of district recorder to replace Martin McDonald. Bruce Ferguson was recommended and thereafter accepted the position.

Steve Bates reported that he was concerned about the schedule for the Red Deer Regional. Rick Cookson Hills had prepared the schedule, however, Steve's recommendation was that there would be a negative reaction to the schedule. It was

agreed that closer supervision should be given to schedules in the future.

Dick Anderson gave a report on the spring meeting of the ACBL Board of Directors in Phoenix. A copy of his report is attached. Dick also reported that Jan Anderson, the District's election officer, suggested that the District hold its elections in June rather than December to avoid the delay of December mailings. Considerable discussion was held however no action was taken. Dick suggested that the District's Bylaws needed updating and pointed out that according to the current bylaws Manitoba is not represented and should be. The president asked Karen Eble to go through the Bylaws and make suggested changes to the Board.

The president noted that he would review the District's Policy Handbook and Regional Guidelines. The hospitality budget will be corrected to show \$3.00 per table US funds and \$4.00 per table Canadian funds based on the estimate of number of tables by the head director. The Board discussed caddie rates and Floyd Hawley moved to make caddie rates \$18.00 per session US dollars. Floyd Derkat pointed out that all figures refer to US dollars and that the ACBL percentage be used to convert to Canadian dollars. Dick Anderson amended Floyd's motion to allow \$24.00 for caddies in Canada and the motion carried as amended.

Honorariums were then discussed. Bob Donaldson receives \$200.00 per year and the treasurer receives \$300.00 per year. Roger Putnam and Steve Bates do not receive honorariums. Floyd Hawley reported that his honorarium as treasurer is ample. After full discussion regarding the valuable services provided by Bob Donaldson, Lila Cochran moved that we raise Bob's honorarium to \$300.00 per year. The motion was seconded and carried.

It was reported that Bill Booty won the Phyllis Burke traveling trophy for 1994. The president then appointed Floyd Derkat to act as trophy chairman for the District. The duties of the trophy chairman would include locating trophy's, etc.

Floyd Hawley reported that Sally Christensen had presented the District a bill for \$109.00 for attending the Board meeting. After full discussion it was agreed that the Board should set a policy to allow \$35.00 per diem for outgoing Board members to attend meetings provided they are asked to attend.

Lila Cochran moved that we pay Sally Christensen \$35.00 for attending the meeting and Dick Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

A report was given on the North American Open Pairs. The playoff in Cut Bank, Montana was fairly successful. Dick Anderson reported that he would like to have the playoffs in Regina. Floyd Hawley moved that we schedule the playoffs at the fall regional for all three flights, keeping in mind that three pairs qualify in each flight with the first two pairs in each flight subsidized.

Steve Bates reported on Sectional Tournaments at Clubs. (STaC). STaC's provide players with the opportunity to win silver points at the club level by competing with other clubs in the district during a seven day period. The STaC will be held December 6 through December 12. Floyd Hawley moved that we try the STaC for a year. Steve Bates is the District Tournament Coordinator. Floyd Derkat seconded the motion and the motion carried. ACBL's sanction fee is \$1.90 per table and Dick Anderson moved that we set District fees at \$5.00 US dollars and \$6.00 Canadian per table to cover costs. Lila Cochran seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Bob Donaldson reported that regional dates have been established through 1997. Floyd Hawley moved that Lila Cochran proceed with plans for a tournament in Sun Valley in 1998 and Dick Anderson seconded the motion. Karen Eble moved we have a split senior regional in Edmonton and Casper in 1997. Floyd Derkat recommended Art and Lillian Peddicord as chairpersons for the Edmonton tournament. Lila Cochran moved to accept Floyd's recommendation of Art and Lillian Peddicord as chairpersons for the Edmonton tournament. The motion was seconded and carried. In addition, Karen will look into having a regional in either Kalispell or Missoula in 1998.

A proposal had been made to the District by Rick Cookson Hills that the Red Deer Unit be given a percentage of proceeds from their regional based on the table revenue. After considerable discussion and concern about setting a precedent, Dick Anderson moved that the host unit would receive 10% of the table fees over and above the estimate presented by the director, on an experimental basis only. The motion carried. Expenses for

chairperson for the Red Deer Regional were discussed and it was agreed that either room or mileage, but not both, would be approved.

Dick Anderson asked if anyone wanted to make a bid on a national in early 2000 to 2003. Floyd Derkat volunteered to explore the possibility of a National in Calgary in the spring or summer. Roger Putnam advised Floyd should look for a single site with 800 to 900 rooms with varying price ranges. Steve Bates would check out the location to allow for approximately 750 tables and Floyd would then discuss with Nancy Foy, ACBL's meeting planner.

The president appointed Kay Reese as District Education Liaison.

Roger Putnam reported that directors' seminars were offered at Regionals on Thursday and Friday mornings, with testing on Saturday. Units wishing to participate should begin advertising early and a minimum of 4 or 5 students would be necessary. Students would pay their own \$10.00 fee.

Roger reported on the disciplinary action of Gray Chang and Pat Pinto who had been reprimanded in Butte, Montana and a complaint had been made against them again in Idaho Falls. The matter has been turned over to Bruce Ferguson, the District's recorder.

With no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned to meet again in Regina, SK the week of September 25, 1995.

Lila Cochran
District Secretary