

ACBL DISTRICT 18
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES

Date: May 14, 2019

Time: 7:00 – 10:45

Location: Red Lion Inn, Pocatello, Idaho

Board Members Present: David Johnson, Tom Romine, Doug Adair, Jim Lucas, Ray Davie, Debra Raugutt, and Claire Jones (D18 Representative to ACBL Board of Directors)

Also in Attendance: Tournament Director Steve Bates

Board Members Absent: Marilyn Swandron, GNT and STaC Coordinator for D18 and Susan Driggers, NAP Coordinator

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. David Johnson welcomed new board member Ray Davie. David noted that the minutes from the last Board meeting had been approved and posted to the D18 website.

Treasurer's and Tournament Coordinators' Report:

Using the new financial guidelines all tournaments for 2018 showed a profit both in the US and Canada. The District showed an increase in cash in the banks of \$44,305.76 noting that that increase shows and increase in deposits for future Regionals of \$3,500.

The Non-Life Master Regional will probably not be as successful financially as the regular Regional Tournaments. This is primarily due to the cost of the director having to be made up over only three days.

Doug Adair also suggested that all site vendor contracts be approved by the treasurer before being signed by the area Representative. Motioned was approved.

GNT and STaC Coordinator Report – Not submitted

NAP Coordinator Report – Susan Diggers submitted a report showing approximately 1020 bridge players qualified at the club level. Of the pairs that qualified at the NAP District finals that were held in Missoula in September, 2 A pairs and 2 B pairs participated in Memphis but did not place.

Board Resignations:

Both Marilyn Swandron, GNT and STaC Coordinator and Susan Driggers, NAP Coordinator submitted their resignations. David Johnson and Doug Adair may have possible replacements in mind for both positions.

D18 ACBL Rep Report

Claire has sent his report by email and it is also available on the WASIMI website. Claire also reported that he would like members to submit names for Goodwill awards. These should be individuals who go above and beyond the usual for their clubs and/or units.

Claire would like each representative to submit a nonprofit entities, 501(c)3 in their states/provinces to receive **\$200** in charity grants from the District. Email the submission to him directly.

Miscellaneous Discussions

Jim Lucas would like to add the financial guidelines for Regional Tournaments to the Website. There was no objection.

The Purple pass appears to be working in the United States. However, due to the Canadian exchange rate it will not be beneficial to use in Canada.

Any unit that would like to hold a NLM Regional please contact David. Our District is allowed four per year.

Other topics discussed included ways to increase attendance at Regionals, KO's for small tournaments; experimental games in KO's and Swiss, and District Fund/Foundation games.

Respectively submitted

Debra Raugutt
Secretary, D18 Board of Directors