

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors of District 18 met Friday, September 26, 1997, in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. In attendance were Board members Ron Hemeon, Karen Eble, Floyd Hawley, Lila Cochran, Floyd Derkat and Kay Reese; the District's Representative on the National Board of Directors Dick Anderson; and, Tournament Directors Roger Putnam, Bob Donaldson and Steve Bates.

Ron Hemeon, President called the meeting to order. Minutes of the last meeting held in Boise, Idaho, were read. Dick Anderson moved the minutes be accepted as corrected.

Karen Eble suggested that the Disciplinary Committee be called Judiciary Committee in accordance with the District's Bylaws..

The Board discussed the proposal by the Board of Governors to impose term limits on the National Board of Directors. Under the proposal a director could serve no more than four consecutive terms. The proposal was not accepted by the National Board and had been referred to the Districts. Floyd Hawley moved that we propose to determine to make term limits for no more than four years. Kay Reese seconded. After considerable discussion the motion was defeated. Floyd Hawley then moved the President write a letter to the National Board stating that District 18 is not in favor of term limits. Motion carried.

Floyd Hawley presented the treasurer's report, a copy of which is attached. It was moved and seconded that the report be accepted as presented.

Marie Jolley's report on the North American Open Pairs was presented by Bob Donaldson. Marie is concerned that there is not enough time for Unit finals to be held before the District finals. ACBL has made changes to the conditions of contest that if no Unit final is held, the district may either (1) hold a multi-unit single site unit final prior to the District final, or (2) hold a four session district final and no unit final with a two session final the next day. Floyd Hawley moved that in 1998 the District finals be held during the Great Falls Sectional and successive years hold it as a separate event sometime in October or November in Great Falls pending the approval of the Great Falls unit. Karen will talk to the Great Falls unit.

Roger Putnam reported on the progress of the Sun Valley and Missoula Regionals. There is only one senior event in Missoula. Karen suggested we should have one Thursday and Saturday.

Bob Donaldson reported that ACBL now permits four open regionals per year. After considerable discussion Lila Cochran moved the District use the four allotted regionals per year beginning with the split site regional July 14-19, 1998, in Ogden, Utah and Moose Jaw, making the regional an open event.

A discussion was held regarding the Grand National Teams. Floyd Hawley moved that we hold all four flights of the Grand National Teams finals May 15 to 17, 1998..

Dick Anderson seconded the motion Lila Cochran moved that we subsidize the winning teams \$1,500.00 for 1998. Karen Eble seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Karen presented a request from Janet Rouse of the Butte Unit \$50.00 for lessons. Karen moved the request be granted and the motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned.

Lila Cochran, Secretary