



District 19, ACBL, Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 11, 2004, SeaTac, WA

1. The meeting was called to order by President Angela Taylor-Ferguson at 9:45 a.m. She declared a quorum with the following members present: Jennifer Ballantyne, Dave Grubbs, Tom Hansen, Steve Hosch, Stuart Iedema, Dave Morrone, Kris Motoyoshi, Barbara Nist, Gay Parrish, and Angela Taylor-Ferguson. Margaret Pearce and David Schmidt were absent. Also present were Dudley Brown, Secretary; Clay Gerstenberger, Treasurer; and for part of the meeting Sam Asai, District 20 Board Member; Roger Putnam, District Tournament Coordinator; and Matt Smith, ACBL Field Supervisor.

2. There were no additions to the agenda.

3. **Ballantyne moved and Nist seconded to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2004 Penticton meeting as presented.** Motion passed unanimously.

4. **Nist Moved and Grubbs seconded to ratify the action taken between meetings reimbursing Dee Berry, District 19 Educational Liaison, for expenses attending the Seaside, Oregon, meeting.** Motion passed unanimously.

5. Secretary Brown reported the receipt of an ACBL Email message indicating that Stephen Hosch and Don Mamula have been elected First and Second Alternate Directors for District 19 for 2005 through 2007.

6. The following reports were received:

a. Treasurer Gerstenberger passed out a Nanaimo 2004 Regional Report showing a \$3,984 U.S. equivalent profit.

b. The Treasurer reported that in the Canadian checking account the District has approximately \$78,000 Canadian and in the U.S. checking account approximately \$8,500. He will transfer funds to the American account shortly as the exchange rate is favorable currently and most bills need to be paid in U.S. funds.

c. In the absence of Schmidt, Charity Chairman, the District Wide Charity Week scheduled for the week ending October 30, 2004, was discussed. Schmidt is requested to coordinate with the District Tournament Coordinator to see if in 2005 the District Charity Week could be concurrent with the ACBL wide Charity Week in April.

d. Hansen, Multi-Level Event Coordinator reported that the District Finals for the NAP will be during the Tacoma Sectional December 4, 2004. The GNT District Finals will be April 2 and 3, 2005, at the Vancouver B.C. Bridge Centre.

e. Hosch stated that there are no current judiciary cases or appeals in the District.

f. Grubbs reported that the District Web site is open for units to place unit information.

g. Morrone, District IN Coordinator, reported that he is still working with Gordon Bower to have a Free Play Promotion for members that have not attended a regional lately.

h. Brown, Elections Chairman, reported the following actions regarding District Board positions for 2005 through 2007:

(1) Angela Taylor-Ferguson was elected for the Vancouver Island position and David Morrone was elected for the Alaska position. **Ballantyne moved and Motoyoshi seconded to ratify the election of Taylor-Ferguson and David Morrone.** Motion passed unanimously.

(2) An election is being held by mail ballot for the B.C. at large position. Candidates are Margaret Pearce and Carol-Ann Halliday.

i. Roger Putnam, Tournament Coordinator, presented a new list of future tournament dates.

6. Unfinished Business:

a. **Grubbs moved and Hosch seconded to establish District policy that the CBF could hold a regional in District 19 according to ACBL policy as long as it was not within two months of a District Regional or within six months of a regional in the same metropolitan area, subject to coordination with the District 19 Tournament coordinator, Roger Putnam.** Motion passed unanimously. The Secretary was requested to send this information to all the CBF Board members.

b. Hosch led a discussion on the status of a new contract with PDI Bridge Supplies for tournament supplies. He was authorized to extend the current contract if necessary until a new contract is in place.

c. Hosch stated that there has been no action taken on a letter of support regarding Larry Chow's border crossing problem as Chow has not furnished contact information.

d. A phone message from ACBL told that the rider to the ACBL liability insurance policy had a limit of \$2 million U.S. per incident and \$1 million per person. Ballantyne will let the Secretary know if this meets the requirements set by the site for Vancouver B.C. sectionals.

e. The Tournament Oversight Committee will meet and make any recommended changes to the Regional Rotation Plan, which will be acted upon by email with ratification at the next board meeting.

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f. **Motoyoshi moved and Grubbs seconded to subsidize on a one time basis \$50 U.S. to a new TAP teacher who teaches a class of at least 8 students.** Motion passed unanimously.

8. New Business:

a. **Hosch moved and Ballantyne seconded to allow Parrish to sell the excess District bought playing cards at \$2.25 a deck with the proceeds to go to the District.** Motion passed unanimously.

b. **Hosch moved and Motoyoshi seconded to notify the League that the \$1,000 Charity Foundation grant for 2004 should go to the Salvation Army.** Motion passed with 7 yes votes, 2 no votes and 1 abstention.

c. The sponsorship of Regional games is left to the discretion of each tournament organizing committee.

d. Sam Asai, District 20, requested that District 19 set up a Liaison Committee to meet with District 20 representatives at the Reno and Portland regionals to discuss mutual problems and possible joint ventures such as sharing advertising in each others publication and on pencils. Taylor-Ferguson and Hosch will meet with District 20 in Reno. Jude Goodwin-Hanson will be requested to send Sue Kroning a list of District 19 regional dates for including in District 20's new publication. Nist reported to Asai that the cost of pencils is 23 cents each for 10,000, 20 cents each for 20,000 and 19 cents each for 25,000.

e. **Hosch moved and Nist seconded to accept the proposal for Audrey Grant to conduct a program at the Spokane 2005 Regional. The District involvement is not to exceed \$1,000 U.S.** Motion passed unanimously.

f. The Secretary was requested to write a letter to the Western Conference restating the District policy on having Western Conference STaCs in District 19.

g. **Ballantyne moved and Motoyoshi seconded to grant 16 free plays to each District 19 Regional to Educational Liaison, Dee Berry.** Motion passed unanimously.

9. The Board was in executive session from 2:25 p.m. until 2:45 p.m.

10. The following action occurred regarding regionals:

a. **Iedema moved and Ballantyne seconded to approve Joan Ball as Chairperson for the 2006 Yakima Regional.** Motion passed unanimously.

b. The following DINO Liaison and Tournament Chairpersons are listed:

<u>Tournament</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Liaison</u>	<u>Chair Persons</u>
Victoria	2-8 May 05	Taylor-Ferguson	Buchanan
Penticton	13-19 Jun 05	Pearce	Tony Ferguson
Puget Sound	22-28 Aug 05	Grubbs	Parrish
Spokane	17-23 Oct 05	Motoyoshi	Wimett/Hols
Richmond	9-15 Jan 06	Ballantyne	Ballantyne
Penticton	12-18 Jun 06	Pearce	Ferguson
Puget Sound	21-17 Aug 06	Hansen	
Yakima	9-15 Oct 06	Iedema	Ball

11. Angela Taylor-Ferguson was unanimously elected President for 2005. She appointed David Schmidt as Treasurer for 2005 and Dudley Brown as Secretary for 2005. **Hosch moved and Ballantyne seconded to ratify these appointments.** Motion passed unanimously.

12. The next meeting will be at 9:30 a.m., May 2, 2005, in Victoria.

13. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DUDLEY BROWN
Secretary

