

D19 Synopsis of Burnaby 2018 Board Actions

Nick Stock, representing the Vancouver B.C. Unit, and Marla Patterson, representing Western Washington Units at Large, were welcomed to their first Board meeting.

The Treasurer's reports were accepted and will be placed on the District web site. A summary follows, all in U.S. dollars):

December District Balance Sheet as of 31 December 2017:

Assets	\$243,039
Less Liabilities	<u>\$ 9,510</u>
Members Equity	\$233,529
Total Liabilities and Members Equity	\$243,039

Statement of Income & Expenses, January 1 through December 31, 2017:

Income	\$ 63,864
Less Expenses	<u>\$ 42,359</u>
Surplus	\$ 21,505

All five District Regionals in 2017 showed a surplus as below:

Victoria	\$ 8,549
Penticton	\$ 19,650
Lynnwood	\$ 8,047
Olympia	\$ 2,183
Whistler	<u>\$ 9,841</u>
Total Surplus	\$ 48,270

A two year District Budget (all in U.S. dollars) was accepted and summarized below:

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Beginning Balance	\$233,500	\$250,390
Plus Income	<u>\$391,205</u>	<u>\$389,582</u>
	\$624,705	\$639,972
Less Expenses	<u>\$374,315</u>	<u>\$357,812</u>
Ending Balance	\$250,390	\$282,160

There will be a 2019 Whistler Regional October 28 through November 3 subject to acceptable modification of the proposed contract.

Subject to acceptable contracts starting in 2020 fall regionals will alternate between Leavenworth in even years and Whistler in odd years.

District 19 National Board member Marv Norden reported actions from the Philadelphia Board meeting as follows:

(1) The District's share of ACBL Charity Foundation grant went to World Renown. The original grant grew to approximately \$59,000 when the Canadian government matched the original grant 4 to 1.

(2) Provided that ACBL works out details Purple Pass will be used to buy credit card entries at the Penticton 2018 Regional. The District will not offer credit card buying of entry coupons in bulk if the Purple Pass system is operable.

(3) Both tournament attendance and ACBL memberships were down in 2017.

(4) Canadian bridge clubs can now pay ACBL fees in Canadian dollars.

(5) Non ACBL members who have never been an ACBL member must buy a temporary membership to play in an ACBL tournament. Temporary memberships get all ACBL privileges and are good for the month of purchase and the month following. Lapsed members will still be charged a \$4 per session fee.

(6) The Teachers Accreditation Program (TAP) has been revised and is now renamed or rebranded "How to Teach Bridge."

(7) New Convention Charts have been approved and should be available soon.

(8) The ACBL is working towards basing tournament master points on Strength of Field.

(9) The formula for awarding master points should be simplified by the end of 2019.

(10) Matt Koltnow has been appointed to the National Laws Commission for 5 years.

Election Chairman Dudley Brown reported the filing period for 2019-2021 Board positions will be published for Eastern and Western Washington and for the Seattle and Vancouver B.C. Units. Incumbents respectively are Karen Rise, Ralph Wilhelmi, Steve Kasner and John Demeulemeester.

A discussion on whether the District should buy Bridge Mates ended with the decision to remain renting them now that arrangements have been made to have the District Supplier transport them across the border.

The following is a list of upcoming District Regionals:

Penticton June 2018

Lynnwood August 2018

Leavenworth October-November 2018

Victoria April 2019

Penticton June 2019

Lynnwood August 2019

Pasco October 2019

Whistler November 2019

Burnaby April 2020

Penticton June 2020

Lynnwood August 2020

Leavenworth Fall 2020