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The District Nineteen Organization of The American Contract Bridge League

District 19, ACBL, Internet Board Meeting Minutes, January 21, 2022

1. The meeting was called to order January 21st at 5:00 p.m. by President Nick Stock. He declared, a quorum with the following Board members connected on line: Chris Cookson, Kathie Hoehne, Karen Madison, Ray Miller, Marv Norden, Marla Patterson, Karen Rise, Ann Romeo, Nick Stock, David Waterman, and Ralph Wilhelmi. Also present were Dudley Brown, Secretary, David Schmidt, Treasurer, and Tim White, ACBL Region 13 Director, and for part of the meeting, Matt Koltnow, District 19 Tournament Coordinator and ACBL Field Supervisor.

2. Patterson moved, and Romeo seconded to certify The Seattle and Vancouver Unit elections of Ray Miller and David Waterman, respectively, to 2022-2024 terms on the District Board. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Rise moved, and Romeo seconded to approve the minutes of the internet meeting of November 4, 2021, as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Romeo moved and Wilhelmi seconded to accept the Treasurer's 2021 year ending reports as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Under Unfinished Business the following occurred: TournTables' proposed contract was discussed. President Sock got agreement that negotiation for clarification and agreement to changes need to be done shortly before District 20 has its board meeting prior to its February Vancouver, Washington, regional. Treasurer Schmidt agreed to talk directly with David Taylor to get agreement to changes to his proposal and any changes to the prior agreement for repayment of advances made to TournTables.

6. The following occurred under New Business:

- a. **Patterson moved and Romeo seconded that District clubs could participate in Western Conference STaCs May 2-8, 2022, and December 5-11, 2022.** Motion passed unanimously. President Stock will notify the Western Conference that our clubs may participate in those two STaCs.
- b. **Rise moved and Cookson seconded that Romeo would be the District Coordinator for both the NAP and GNT.** Motion passed unanimously. Miller will help with those duties.
- c. **Rise moved and Patterson seconded to approve the appointment of Romeo as Tournament Chair for the 2022 Lynwood Regional.** Motion passed unanimously.
- d. **Stock moved and Norden seconded to add David Waterman as signer and to remove Brian Maksymetz as signer on the Canadian bank accounts and to remove Gay Parrish as signer on the U.S. Chase Bank account.** Motion passed unanimously.

- e. President Stock discussed a web site report that gave statistics on the percentage attendance as regional tournament restart face-to-face compared to 2019 attendance prior to the pandemic. The best percentage has been 50% and the 2021 Monterey Regional was only 37% and saw a \$90,000 loss and the Myrtle Beach Regional lost \$19,000 due to its food and beverage commitment. Tournament Chairs for the Penticton and Lynnwood 2022 Regionals agreed to see if contracts could be modified to reduce space needs and food and beverage commitments. It was further agreed to run a District Survey in mid-March asking whether the recipients were planning to attend the Leavenworth Regional in April or the Penticton Regional in June. The current difficulties in Americans traveling to Canada and Canadians returning to Canada from U.S. were discussed.
 - f. **Cookson moved and Romeo seconded to make a commitment to the Whistler venue to hold a 2023 regional there October 30 to November 5, 2023.** Motion passed with 9 Yes votes and 2 No votes. The President requested Norden to deal with the hotel to have a proposed contract available for the next meeting.
7. The next District Board Meeting is planned for March 25, 2022, via ZOOM.
8. There being no further business, President Stock adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DUDLEY BROWN
Secretary

Approved at the April 4, 2022 Leavenworth Board Meeting