

**Unit 124 Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
May 18, 2023**

Attendance: John Altman, Jim Barrett, Bill Brewer, Arun Goyal, Bert Luken, John Meinking, Geri Osborn, and John Williams.

Guests: None

Not in Attendance: Melissa Hellmann

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by President Brewer.

Minutes Adopted:

Upon motion by Jim Barrett and second by John Williams, the minutes from the last Board meeting were adopted without objection

New Business:

1. Treasurer's Report

- Through March the CBA's net income is approximately -\$2,500. We are not operating at a loss when accounting for tournament revenue, but we are operating at a loss when only accounting for club games.
- The board will make an effort to continue to promote bridge to our current members and new members. If current members each played 1 or 2 more times per week, we would reach the breakeven point
- Discussion of advertising to new players. Bert Luken will reach out to the Indianapolis Bridge Center and gather information regarding their recent advertising campaign.

2. Executive Session

- The board entered executive session on the motion of John Williams and second by John Altman

3. Formalizing Agreements for Use of CBA Space

- The board is not always aware of the details of agreements made between previous iterations of the board and CBA members who utilize our space. We currently have sublease agreements with each sanction holder, but we do not have any kind of formal agreement with people who teach classes at the CBA.
- **MOTION:** A motion was brought to the floor by John Altman and seconded by Jim Barrett that any agreement between the CBA and an individual planning to use the CBA facilities shall be reduced to writing. Any agreements between the CBA and individuals using CBA facilities shall take into account the CBA's stated goal of advancing bridge and increasing membership.

4. Flying Pig Regional

- All plans are currently on track. The hotel reservations are lower than expected which may be due to the Evansville split regional. We do not have a minimum room contract with the hotel.
- Volunteers will be cleaning the bidding boxes before the regional.

5. Spring Fling Tournament Report

- Attendance was 45 tables and the CBA profited approximately \$1,000 on the event.

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- The CBA will plan to run this tournament again next year and may wish to explore working with Dayton to hold a joint sectional.

6. Website Update

- The board reviewed samples of a potential website update with WordPress. Bill will continue to work with the WordPress designer on the overall proposal. No funds have been spent on the website upgrade at this time.

7. Member Recruitment

- ACBL has updated its membership dues and how those dues come back to the Unit through its 5-5-5 program.
- The board will open membership retention calls to volunteers from the club.
- Bill Brewer is continuing to email players in our Unit who only play online and offering them a free play to his games if they come play in person.
- The mentor/mentee program will be ramping up after the Flying Pig Regional.

8. Stray Cats

- The stray cats are not located on our property so we will not take any further action with them.

9. Building Maintenance

- The breaker has been fixed and the LED light in the playing area has been replaced.
 - Updating all the lighting to LEDs would cost approximately \$7000. The board will not entertain updating the lighting at this cost and instead will continue to replace individual lights as it becomes needed.
- Carpet cleaning will be completed during the Flying Pig Regional.
- CINTAS has completed the fire inspection.
- The building will be closed for construction for approximately 1 week. Bill Brewer has communicated with the landlord about some potential times that they could close the building that would not disturb our regularly scheduled games.

10. The ALERT

- Mike Ma has taken over the ALERT

The Trustees will meet on July 13, 2024, at 10:00 am.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:40 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Altman, Secretary