

Minutes of the ACBL Board of Director's Meeting  
May 19, 2018

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of the  
Unit 164 Board Meeting**

Held May 19, 2018 at 365 Melbourne Way, Lexington, Kentucky

**Members Present:** Darryl Bennett, Susan Dance, Chuck Dean, Norma Greely, Andra Gyor, Mina Hedayati, Sondra Holt, Ellen Hume, Bob Korten and Mike Proctor.

**Members Absent:** Ted Addleton, Brad Beck, John Kennedy, and Russ Whitney

**Guests:** Terrell Holt, President, ACBL District 11, Melena VanArsdall

The meeting was called to order by Director and President Andra Gyor at 5:15 PM.

**Opening Remarks** – Andra made opening comments and welcomed all to the meeting. Secretary Ellen Hume then reported that a quorum of board members were present (10 of 14) so business of the board could continue.

**Minutes, Unit 164 Cabin Fever Sectional** – Ellen distributed the minutes from the January 20, 2018 Unit 164 Board meeting for review and approval. There were no corrections so the minutes were approved as read.

**Treasurer's Reports** – In Treasurer Ted Addleton's absence, Andra distributed the financial reports developed by Ted and she summarized his reports which included a Comparative Balance Sheet for Unit 164, 2017 Profit and Loss for Unit 164 by class, 2016 Profit and Loss by class, and Schedule of CDs. There was discussion during which Terrell Holt suggested that financial information and table counts from the May 2016 and 2017 Sectionals should be added to the financial reports for comparison to the 2018 May Sectional. There was further discussion and Andra suggested that since Ted was not there and couldn't answer specific questions the meeting should move on to the next agenda item. It was the consensus to do so.

It was then noted that Ted has done a terrific and professional job as treasurer for Unit 164.

The agenda items (which were not discussed in Ted's absence) included the Cabin Fever Sectional Financials, Unit 164 Financial Report, and Investment Status.

**Lexington Spring Sectional Status** – Director Mike Proctor reported and said our table numbers are up this year in both the open and the 299er sections based on comments he has heard and from his own memory. When asked he said that he did not have the exact table count for Friday or Saturday. Terrell then said that we had 35 tables on Friday

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during the afternoon and evening sessions. Terrell said John Nichols, Sectional Director, will have the specific table count for all sessions. Andra asked Mike to get a table count summary from John following the tournament.

### **Committee Chair Reports**

1. Education—Vice-President Darryl Bennett said he went to Owen County to provide a bridge lesson and play hands with bridge players there. He said he will be going back in the fall and perhaps offer a Bridge in a Day class. During brief discussion Darryl asked if we are going to do a Bridge in a Day this year in Lexington but no decision was made. Terrell said that Carole Fox will continue teaching beginner's classes. It was noted that Tom Stanwix-Hay has taught several Ollie bridge classes with good participation.
2. Membership – Ellen reported that there are currently 361 Unit 164 members. In January, 2018 there were 359 members. Ellen said she has sent four new member letters and nine expired membership letters since February 2018.
3. Ethics – Director Chuck Dean said there are no ethic issues. Terrell noted that Director Bob Korten gave a class about psych bids to directors and taught them how to address this issue when it occurs during games. It was also mentioned that there was a verbal abuse incident during today's session that was handled by John Nichols.
4. Publicity – Andra said at the District 11 meeting the board members voted to no longer publish the Mid-West Monitor in its current form. Terrell said the contract for the Mid-West Monitor was not renewed but he encouraged the Unit to continue to write articles which could be put it on the Club and Unit websites. Terrell said it would be good to continue the Mid-west Monitor locally and it will be cost free.

Andra then reminded board members that the 2018 membership directory is due in July. Andra said she will send out an email to Unit 164 members and ask them to update their profile on the ACBL website and she will ask for their permission to use their biographical information in our directory. The updated information from our Unit members will then be digitally forwarded to us from ACBL. Andra said that Director Susan Dance can design the cover and collate the forwarded information. Andra said that at the January board meeting Brad Beck offered to help with the directory update.

Terrell mentioned that the London bridge club is closed. Andra has a letter from Nancy Hale from Maysville that that club's sanction may not be renewed.

5. Nominating Committee Slate for 2018 – Chuck said the nominating committee consisted of himself, Director Norma Greely, and Director Mina Hedayati. He said that Andra is up for re-election as president and has agreed to run, Darryl is up for re-election as vice-president and has agreed to run. Director Russ Whitney elected not to run so his position will be filled and

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Director John Kennedy agreed to run again for his position. Chuck went on to say that Melena VanArsdall has been nominated for Russ's position and that he will present the slate on Sunday during the General Membership meeting.

6. Audit Report for FY 2017 Financials – Chuck read his report and it is attached.

**Youth Camp 2018** – Ellen reported that this year we have not had many registrants for the bridge camp and the 2018 camp will probably have to be canceled. There was discussion and several questions which Ellen and Chuck answered. One question concerned publicity and Ellen said the publicity was the same this year as and last year with the exception of the paid advertisements in the Lexington Herald-Leader which we did not do this year. Ellen also suggested that the length of the days last year were too long and the diversity of the students was problematic. She said some changes were made this year, re: an advanced class was offered and the hours of class time per day were shortened. These changes will be continued next year.

Mike asked if we are also addressing older students such as high school students. There was discussion about this including historical efforts to address bridge being taught in middle and high schools.

### **Old Business**

1. Update on Sectional and Regional Sanctions – Darryl reported that the July 28-29, 2018 NLM, the September 15-16, 2018 Sizzlin' Swiss, and the January 18-20 Cabin Fever Sectionals are all sanctioned. Andra said the directors for the July NLM will be Russ Whitney and Chuck Dean. For the Sizzling Swiss in September the directors will be Jackie Merkle and Russ. Bob Korten will chair and John Nichols will direct the 2019 Cabin Fever Sectional. The Partnership Chair for the January, 2019 Cabin Fever is Charlie Seelbach. Darryl said the July 2019 and the January 2020 Sectionals are not yet sanctioned but he will do so.

Darryl then asked if we are going to continue with the 6:30 evening start time for January 2020. Andra said the evening start times have not been decided past January 2019. Chuck then asked board members to consider changing the Friday game times during the Cabin Fever and NLM tournaments to 10:00AM and 2:00 or 3:00PM to accommodate those players that aren't able or don't want to drive at night. He said it might increase our player numbers. There was further discussion and Bob said he was willing to try the new times for the Cabin Fever, 2019 sectional in January which he is chairing. It was then determined that the Friday game start times will be 10:00AM and 2:30PM for the January, 2019 sectional.

Sondra said we need to have sanctions for our Regionals which will be Darryl Bennett's responsibility now. She reminded board members that the game

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start time changed to 10:00, 2:30 and 7:30 for November, 2018  
Louisville/Lexington Regional.

2. Update on Lexington NLM Sectional – July 2018 -- Andra said the Committee is formed and flyer has been approved. Chuck and Russ will direct this tournament.
3. Update on September 2018 Sizzlin' Swiss Sectional – Terrell said the flyer is approved and we are set.
4. Update on Louisville/Lexington Regional - 2018 – Sondra reported and said we are on schedule and the flyer is being distributed. She said Judy Banks will be Chair of Hospitality again this year and Judy is considering offering sandwiches and snacks at 6:00 rather than the regular 10:00-11:00 hospitality time. There will be an Eight is Enough session at night for two nights in a row in an effort to limit the number of single session Swiss games. This year we will offer credit card use and we will not be charged for it.
5. Update on Cabin Fever Sectional – 2019 -- Bob said we have already talked about this and there is nothing more to report.
6. Required District Fees to Columbus 2020 NABC – Andra said we are sending \$1 per table to Columbus to financially support the upcoming National being held there. The \$1 per table fee does not include NLM and ST@C tournaments.

**New Business**

1. District 11 Board Meeting Reports – Indianapolis – Sondra distributed a written report. We have a team from Lexington going to the Nationals. There was brief discussion and Chuck moved that we give \$125 to each person on the team. The motion was seconded and carried.
2. GNT District 11 Winners – Stipend. Already discussed.
3. Midwest Monitor – Discontinued by District 11 Board – This was already discussed under Publicity above.
4. Co-Chairs for Lexington Spring Sectional – May 2019 – Andra said she is looking for co-chairs for the spring sectional. At this point in time, there is no one on board to take this responsibility. There was brief discussion.
5. Co-Chairs for Lexington NLM Sectional – July 2019 -- Andra said she will continue to chair the NLM tournament.

Andra then asked if there were other topics to discuss. Chuck said we need in least 20 more folding chairs and a chair rack. Sondra said she believes we could use 36 additional chairs and a rack. After brief discussion, Darryl moved that we purchase 36 additional chairs and a chair rack, Chuck seconded and the motion carried.

**Other Items for Discussion**

Terrell said that in the Bylaws it is written that a review of the Bylaws should occur every four years. Andra said she would check if it has been four years and move forward from there. Terrell said that the Treasurer's Report and the minutes should be on the website.

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He said the slate of nominees should be published two weeks before the General Membership meeting.

Terrell reported there are two asset lists: one for the club and one for the Unit. He said he tries to keep up with these lists.

There was then a motion to adjourn by Bob. It was seconded and carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:22PM.

**Adjourn**

Respectfully Submitted

Ellen Hume, Secretary  
ACBL Unit 164