

## **CBA Board Meeting Minutes – July 19, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 P.M. In attendance were John Meinking, Nalin Mehta, Steve Moese, Lenny Kanterman, Dan Koppenhafer, Tom Mess, and Kay Mulford. Mike Lipp and Debbie Cummings were also in attendance.

### **Approval of Carpet Cleaning**

President Meinking asked that the Board re-affirm the decision to clean the CBC carpeting during the Northern Kentucky Section (July 15-17). The Board unanimously affirmed the decision, which had been agreed to through email after the June 21 meeting.

### **CBC Renovations**

President Meinking reported on the progress of the CBC renovations. He reported the following:

- The Women's restroom within the CBC space is complete except for some touch-up painting;
- The punch list for the balance of the renovations is almost complete. In the main room, there will be repatching of the walls to duplicate the quality of the patchwork in the learning room;
- The cost of the renovations to date have been about \$22,500, including the new lighting in the foyer mentioned below

### **Minutes Approval**

The minutes of the June 21 meeting were unanimously approved by the Board. Per our usual practice, the minutes will be posted on the CBA website.

### **ACBL Board of Directors Elections**

Beth Reid and A. J. Stephani are the candidates in the upcoming District 11 election of a National ACBL Director. At the next Board meeting, both candidates have the option of making a presentation to the Board.

Any time after the meeting, but before September 15, the Board members will vote electronically for her or his preferred candidate. Only the Board members vote on behalf of Unit 124.

### **New LED Lighting in CBC Foyer**

John Meinking reported that he had signed the contract to have the five light fixtures in the entry foyer replaced with LED lights with proper ballasts and drivers. After installation, the Board will consider if the lighting quality and potential savings in utility costs justifies replacing more lighting in the CBC.

### **Installation of Reverse Osmosis Water System**

John Meinking reported that Culligan had provided a proposal for an installation of a Reverse Osmosis water system that would allow the coffee maker to automatically be filled with filtered water. A spigot for filling water glasses with the filtered water would also be installed. The installation and system would be installed for about \$1,440. The annual filter replacement cost is \$200. Every 3-5 years, another filter needs to be replaced at the cost of about \$150.

Upon motion by Steve Moese and seconded by Nalin Mehta, the Board approved the installation of the Reverse Osmosis water system. The vote was 6-1 with Kay Mulford dissenting.

### **Cincinnati Regional Report**

John Meinking reviewed A.J. Stephani's report on the 2016 Cincinnati Regional tournament. The table count was 1132 – a reduction of 11.5 tables (-1%) from 2015. Despite the slight drop, the net revenue for the Regional increased just under \$2,000 to \$17,218. Overall expenses were reduced by \$1,300. About ½ of those reduced expenses were attributable to CBA duplicating all the boards. A special thanks to both A.J. and Bob Fisk for doing the duplication. The report suggested training caddies to do the duplication next year.

A.J. thanked all the various CBA members who helped contribute the success of the tournament, including Margaret, Nancy, and Joanne for ProAm; Lorna for the Partnership desk; Joyce for Hospitality; and the caddies and ACBL directors.

The 2017 Regional will be June 6-11, thereby not competing with the Memorial Day weekend. There will be competition, however, with the Greenville, SC regional.

### **CBA Financials**

As Pam Campbell, Treasurer, was traveling to D.C. for the Nationals, John Meinking quickly reviewed the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter financials. Despite the renovation costs, the CBA is in better shape financially compared to same time last year.

Steve Moese suggested that we can continue CBA's favorable financials by offering to host the GNT and NAPs for District 11 for three years. He will bring a proposal to the Board at a future meeting.

Kay Mulford asked about plans to bring the Nationals to Cincinnati. It was reported that the next Nationals held in District 11 will be in 2020 in Columbus. Nationals have been scheduled for the next 10 years. There are no current plans about a National in Cincinnati.

### **STaC Week**

John Meinking asked if we were ready for the Summer STaC week from August 8-14. Mike Lipp reported that we were ready. Steve Moese volunteered to put together a flyer for the STaC.

### **Unit 124 Board Elections**

Unit 124 elections for the Board of Trustees will be held in the fall. If there are any candidates that Board members have, provide Joe Muenks or Gail Zimmer the needed information. During discussions, it was asked if current Board members whose term is expiring and have not served 3 consecutive terms are required to submit a nomination form. In the past, such nomination forms were not required. Tom Mess offered to review the CBA constitution for any guidance and report back at the next meeting.

Mike Lipp offered to help Gail Zimmer in the election process.

### **Encouragement of 0-5 MP Members**

The Board discussed how to encourage more ACBL members with 0-5 MPs to play in tournaments. Free entries were discussed, but the consensus of the Board was this was a decision for Tournament Chairs to make.

### **Sanction Holders Agreement**

The Board requested that we have the Sanctions Holders Agreement for space at the CBC available for signing by December 1, 2016 for calendar year 2017. Tom Mess committed to

providing a copy of the Sanction Holders Agreement prior to the September Board meeting, if not earlier.

**Acknowledgment of New Directors**

The Board wanted to acknowledge and congratulate both Debbie Wiest and Tom Mess for successfully passing the ACBL Club Director test.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:29 P.M.

Tom Mess  
Secretary