

## **CORNHUSKER UNIT 241 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Meeting Minutes

February 28, 2009

*Present:* Justin Graver, Jeff Buckwalter, Darlene Rischling, Elise Parish, Leng Hua, Tim English

*Next meeting:* April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009 @ 9:30 Omaha Bridge Studio

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### **I. Officer Reports:**

President

After a brief discussion on Unit versus Club responsibility, it was decided that the unit secretary will maintain the recorder file for the unit.

Vice President:

Treasurer:

Sectional Financials: The unit lost 594.84 for the February sectional. CD is coming due. It will be renewed for nine months to align with Regional.

**Great Western C.D. \$14,440.61**

**Great Western checking \$ 1,750.41**

**Great Western money market \$ 12,144.83**

### **II. Committee Reports**

#### **A. Tournaments**

Fall sectional is 22-25 of Oct. This is a home football game. Tim will look into possibility of moving to a different weekend. Suggestions were made about having a 10am/3pm event followed by a special event @7pm like barometer pairs. Also, allowing 299ers to enter main Swiss event at the conclusion of its four match session. 299er flyers are missing from the tournament

#### **B. Education**

Dan has started Hour of Power at the Friendly 16. At least 18 people are attending.

Bridge in the schools reports King Science centered program has disappeared. Mars had a 44 person mini-bridge (barometer pairs) tournament at the conclusion of its program. Darlene is forming a committee to hold a local youth bridge tournament sometime in May.

#### **C. Mentoring**

Mentoring program has started. 46 mentees have signed up this year.

#### **D. Website/IT**

Report given a traffic trends and site usage. 299er schedule needs to be posted on the site. Elise and Leng will be added as contributors so they can update for mentoring and publicity. A message needs to be posted about the need for trophies for Bridge in the schools program.

### **III. Unfinished Business**

#### **E. Unit Party**

Justin/Leng are investigating a free room rental they won at the bridal show as a location for the unit party.

#### **F. Duplimate**

Every director, except for Nash and Ryan, has been trained. Several small issues have occurred, but things are functioning well. There is concern about lack of controls on who has each case. There was discussion on purchasing a 2nd duplimate. Jeff provided emails from both vendors about current machine prices.

MOTION: (Parish, 2<sup>nd</sup> Rischling): Unit 241 should not purchase a 2<sup>nd</sup> duplimate at this time. (Passed 6-0).

### **IV. New Business**

#### **G. Sectional post-mortem**

. It was asked if we might be able to solicit a sponsor for the coffee at the sectionals since there was an issue with collecting the coffee money. Many boards were not put back in proper order after use at the sectional. Caddies need to be trained better on this.

MOTION (Parish, Rischling): Unit should not allow cookies to be purchased at sectionals unless more members are willing to provided treats. (Tabled until next meeting)

#### **H. Unit representation at District Meeting**

It was decided to have board members represent the unit at district meetings. This would allow for someone who is aware of board concerns/issues to be in attendance. Justin/Jeff/Leng will work out who is attending the May meeting.

#### **I. Unit Directory.**

Elise is going to create an electronic copy of what a new directory would look like. We unit will send make local copies available on three hole punch paper for those members not able to receive an electronic copy.