

CORNHUSKER UNIT 241 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meeting Minutes

September 19, 2009

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

Next meeting: Nov 14th, 2009 @ 9:30 Omaha Bridge Studio

I. Officer Reports:

President:

- District board meeting in Okoboji. Elise/Dan will represent the unit at this meeting.

Vice President:

Treasurer:

- Balances as of July 31:
 - Checking \$15,429.19*
 - Money Market \$4,150.16
 - C.D. \$14,771.38

*Includes funds that have not been split with unit 184.

II. Committee Reports

Tournaments

- Tim is waiting for mailing list to distribute flyers. Jeff will provide list after removing duplicate address's from the mailing list.
- Tim will work on creating something that explains the barometer pair's event.
- Tim was going to work on getting "sponsors" for coffee during the tournament.
- We have an open item of not having defined who will be making the boards for this tournament. Tim McNary will be contacted to find out if he is available, but an adult should be available to help with duplimate issues.

Education

- Power Point materials have been completely revised and updated to match the revision of BIDDING by Audrey Grant. This is the book provided by ACBL for Middle and High School use. Teacher Binders have been updated and are ready for instructors.
- The youth tournament to be held in the spring will be called the "Ruth Scott" tournament.
- Bridge in the schools committee no longer has scheduled meetings, but only as requested by Darlene.
- Board provided positive feedback for Darlene to pursue an over/under game to be held sometime early in 2010.
- A Memorandum of Agreement has been written which outlines the responsibilities of Nathan Hale and of Unit 241, Bridge in the Schools. When this is signed, a copy should be filed with Unit 241 Secretary.

Duplimate Report

- A card jam resulted in some major work. Persons using the duplimate used a screw driver—small one—to pry the cards out of jam. Two L shaped rods

dislocated. Parties involved and other directors have been spoken to about not using force to correct problems.

Membership

- There are a couple of members who died earlier in the year that the ACBL needs to be informed of.

Regional

- Justin has drafted the new agreement between the units and is awaiting feedback from unit 184.
- Elise has found a rechargeable prepaid phone that could be used for partnerships during tournaments. The phone would be cheaper than having a phone setup at the MAC.

Motion (English, 2nd Rischling): Authorization purchase of a unit prepaid cell phone that can be used for tournaments. Approved 6-0.

Website/IT

- Content Changes: Added flyer for fall sectional and unit email Add flyer for Unit meeting and sent an email to members. Still working on mailing list for sectional.

III. New Business

- Wireless scoring trial. There was a discussion of trialing a wireless scoring program at a club. No action at this time.
- Elections. Review of election process. Self nominations are due in November, with voting held for a month after nominations are closed.
- Office Depot has a \$30 off coupon that can be used to purchase binders for the unit directory. There were about 75 members who signed up for a hard copy of the directory.
- Discussion of past tournament coordinator role for the unit which led into a discussion about getting others to help volunteer for the many activities the unit supports. (sections, bridge in the schools, directory distribution).

IV. Annual Meeting Feedback

- Unit Communication. Point was raised about lack of communication between unit board and membership.
- Unit Party. Discussion about why unit party was not held in 2009.