

Minutes December 9th, 2017

Attending Scott McIntyre, Thom Pigaga, Kathy Lippold, Rick Ackermann, Tim McCollough, Larry Kronick, Cookie Hoberman, Carol Miller.

Regional update, Cookie reported that the change of date could be challenging. We have previously coordinated with Council Bluffs Convention Bureau, for our bookings. Our representative in these dealing has left the Convention Bureau for other employment. She will no longer be our representative. We are hoping the hotels will honor all of our previous contracts. We rely on the Convention Bureau to supply water and coffee. We would like to continue to do this. Scott asked about caddies as school will be in session. Cookie reported that this was handled.

Rick reported that the Fall tournament to be held August 9th thru 12th will be at the JCC for the foreseeable future.

There will be a new director as Larry Brobst is scaling back.

Jim Nash will be the assistant.

Panera will provide the food once again. Mary Ann Allee offered to bring baked goods and Rick offered her free play. Coffee from Hy Vee.

The spring tournament will be held February 15th thru 18th.

The 299 group will now be the 499 group.

Rick suggested the possibility of free lunches as a means to grow attendance on Swiss team Sundays at the sectional. Cookie suggested offering more points as an incentive.

Treasurer's report. Rick referred us to his journal which has every item listed. He also reported that we have a cushion of 36,000.00 because of the success of the Regional. We share these profits with Unit 184 of Lincoln. 60/40.

Carol reported on Election. All current members running for office retained their seats. 57 people voted. All board members agreed to keep their present positions.

Rick reported on the directory. All is going well. Our latest count in our unit is 474. He is pursuing local businesses for sponsorship. \$40 for a half page and \$70 for a full page. People who are not members still want to be listed in the directory.

Thom reported that the duplicate machine is limping along. May need to order parts or a new system. He would know more by next board meeting.

Another limited sectional was discussed to be held at House of Cards. Rick said he needs dated to coordinate with ACBL. Next board meeting to be held February 24th. Location to be announced.

Board meeting adjourned 11:00.