

ACBL Cornhusker Unit 241
Board Meeting Minutes
August 24th, 2019
9:30 am Swanson Towers

Attending: Scott McIntyre, Thom Pigaga, Jill McDermott,
Rick Ackermann, Cookie Hobermann, Tim McCollough, and
Pierre Flatowicz.

Absent: Kathy Lippold

2020/2021 Board

A motion was made to reduce the board from nine members to seven. Scott moved to change the numbers and Rick seconded the motion. All members voted to accept the motion.

Five members are leaving the board. They are Rick Ackermann, Scott McIntyre, Kathy Lippold, Tim McCollough, and Thom Pigaga.

We will need to find three people to fill out the board of seven people. All board members are looking for new people. Carol and Cookie will talk at several games this week at the studio looking for people who may be interested in the Board.

Regional Tournament

Our Regional was held August 5th thru the 11th.

The regional was once again down in attendance, the reasons being are mostly due to fewer bridge players across the country. Our goal is to maintain the quality of our Regional in the face of less incoming funds. Cookie and Jan are working with Mid America Center to find a solution.

The tournament lost approximately \$2600.00. The figures are not final as of the meeting date.

There was a very lively discussion of Regional finances; as a Board we need to be in agreement about how to operate the regional. Tim left the meeting after it was clear that discussion about the result of the regional would not be productive.

Cookie is meeting with CEO of Mid America Center and will report back to board at next meeting.

Sectional Tournament

Jill reported that she is continuing to work on the details of the Sectional, October 17th -20th. She has hired someone to do the cleaning between sessions and is buying coffee and renting coffee makers to save on cost of coffee. Jim Nash will lock up after sessions. Panera will be providing lunches. It will be held at Bridge Studio. She will be posting flyers to announce the change in location and sending an email blast. Studio holds 34 card tables as well as an eight foot long table. The cost of studio is \$700.00 or about half of the cost of JCC.

Treasurer's Report

Rick reported that we lost approximately \$2600.00 at the Regional this year. The unit must absorb 60% of that loss or about \$1500.00.

In the past, the unit has carried a \$30,000 balance. That balance is now \$20,000 mostly due to lower attendance at events and expenses involving bridge equipment.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting October 26th time and place to be announced.