

Chicago Contract Bridge Association

Board of Directors Meeting

June 18, 2001

Attending board members: Lavern Wiebe, Kay Hathaway, Angie Clark, Rich Gabriel, Tom Dressing, Len Meyers, John Goldstein, Carl Sharp, Frank Chadwell, Jackie Addis. **Also attending:** Gary Kessler

The meeting was held at Angie Clark's.

Called to order at 7:30. There was a quorum.

First Business:

- Minutes of May 7, 2001 - Patty added the location of the Winterfest sectional to the Minutes. Motion: to approve the minutes as amended: Moved: Jackie. Seconded: Frank Passed
Action item: Lavern will check to see if Tom got the updated copy for the web page.

Treasurers Report (Gabriel)

- We are \$4800 above budget and in good financial shape.

Old Business:

Update of Caddies at Tournaments:

- John G. talked with ACBL and they had little to add. Rich talked with the Department of Labor and they said 14 year olds are fine for our stuff. No one under 13 is allowed.
- We must meet minimum wage requirements and hour stipulations. During the school year they cannot be used during a school day. Weekends are fine. 14 or 15 year olds may be problematic during school days.
- Gary Kessler suggested the local Jaycee chapter as a source of caddies.
- We currently pay 18-20 per session. Harriette suggested having caddies doing 3 sessions instead of one session, getting more mature caddies, and adjusting the rate appropriately.
- Rich suggested to pay whatever the market takes to ensure we have quality caddies.
- The aim is \$25-30/session, with up to 10 for dinner, but as needed.

Action item: Gary Kessler will provide the CCBA with a list of local Jaycee contacts.

Motion: To give Jackie whatever resources necessary to get caddies for this tournament.

Moved: Angie Clark, Seconded: Len Meyers. Passed

Motion: limit to hiring of caddies for this tournament to caddies that are at least 16 years of age.

Moved: John, Seconded: Harriette. Passed

Nominations to Goodwill Committee from Unit

- Names can still be given to Harriette. She noted Tom Sucher was an excellent nomination. If we want to nominate a member of the year, we can.

Action item: Harriette will write a letter and have it ready for the August meeting.

Southland Sectional - Carl Sharp

- Carl made a proposal to Bobbie Caldwell (sp.) from the ABA. Renting the ABA clubhouse for 2 days was discussed.
- A joint proposal with the ABA was also discussed. The time would be the first week of December.

Motion: If the ABA will rent their space for 500 a day or less, Carl will have the authority to pursue it. Moved: Carl Sharp, Seconded: Harriette. Passed

New Business:

Request for Favorable Letter on Dan Requard – Kessler

- Gary did not receive the request for Dan's presence until today; ergo Dan did not attend. He is willing to answer any questions. Harriette pointed out that he resigned before the ACBL could do whatever it chose.
- Gary Cohler suggested that he should have come here.
- Carl suggested that the ACBL has said that the ACBL will never let him in without a favorable ruling. There was a discussion as to whether this was the only incident where he was disciplined for cheating.
- There was a discussion of whether CCBA endorsement was necessary for readmission or probably sufficient.
- The meeting then went into executive session for the remainder of the discussion of this issue.

2006 Summer Nationals – Labor Day Regional?

- Should we move the Regional in summer to Labor Day? Can the ACBL give us leeway?

Action item: Tom Dressing will look into moving the Summer Regional for the year 2006.

Motion: The STAC should be moved after the Houston nationals, not during it.

Moved Angie. Passed (**NOTE: This has already been done. The new dates are 3/18-24/02. This was worked out with Butch Campbell at the ACBL and is now on the calendar.**)

Web Based Membership Telephone Lookup

- There was a discussion of how this would operate. Can we get a script to support search for telephone number of the web. E-mails and addresses were also discussed as additions. Only telephone numbers.
- For the unit. We will look at a prototype when available.

Action item: Tom Dressing will look into the telephone lookup more closely.

Board Member Attendance

Some board members are not attending. Jackie will talk to Ann about attending meetings. Gary's attendance was also discussed.

Action item: Tom will discuss the future with Gary Cohler and come to some understanding on his role on the board.

Nominating Committee 2001 – Wiebe, Gabriel, Sharp, Myers cannot be on it.

- John, Jackie and Harriette will be on the committee. John will chair.
- It was noted that the committee must have four at large members and three board members.

Action item: John will report back with membership of the Nominating Committee.

Chairman's Reports:

• Tournament Oversight

All is well except for caddies. Hospitality is in line. Kay is planning for food on Friday and Saturday at the regional.

• Communications

1 page of the Kibitzer had to be pulled. An article was published that should not have been.

- **Juniors**

Angie felt the person in charge should be a teacher. Scheduling was frustrating. Tom helped a lot. Harriette questioned whether the 4-school program was the right approach.

Angie would like to do it next year but maybe with a different format. If we use the club series, the ACBL will help. Perhaps less focus on the sponsoring teachers may be more fruitful. The students will need some lessons before play will be fruitful.

- **Education**

No report.

- **Membership**

Harriette is looking into why we did not get any money. She may recommend going back to the old way of membership retention.

- **Novice**

Committee met and planned for regional.

- **Site**

Riders for the July and September Darien contracts were made. Oakton is not that expensive if interested, and we must reserve a year in advance. It must be a school year, not summer. It has lots of parking, and is near the expressways. We will get Darien for next July and September. The new site for Winterfest is locked in for next year.

Next Meeting:

- Monday, Aug 20. The meeting after that will be on October 15th
- Location: Elmhurst

Motion: to adjourn the meeting. Moved: Len, Seconded: Frank. Passed

Respectively submitted,
Laverne Wiebe
Secretary

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