

DCBA MINUTES
March 18, 2024

Present: Joanna Augugliaro, Neal Christensen, Ceil Collopy, Roger Eddy, Fred Goulette, Ed Herbst, Kara McKenna, Ann Mercer, Jack Parry,

Call to Order – Jack Parry: The meeting was called to order at 7:34PM

Minutes – Ceil Collopy: There were no changes or additions to the minutes as sent.

Treasurer's Report – Tamar Odell: Total Balance - \$26,327.23. There is a slight decrease in profits in March as of today.

Membership Report – Membership remains flat.

Publicity Report – Roger Eddy: Roger sent the notice for the Annual Meeting. He will send a weekly reminder as RSVPs are due March 29.

Sunshine Report – After discussion, there will no longer be a Sunshine Committee.

Charity Report – Ann Mercer: Tables: January, 57; February, 55; March 37.5; Donations - January went to ACBL Jr. Fund; February went to Education Fund; March will go to a local charity.

Ann provided information about ACBL price increases for STaC games. The increase will be substantial. Per discussion, we will have STaC games April 1&2. We will discuss having the May STaC games as we have more information about the price changes.

Ed moved to accept all the reports; Kara seconded. All in agreement.

Education: Jack is maintaining Neal's games while Neal recovers. Ceil has prices for ads in local newspapers. We will discuss placing an ad when Neal returns from his rehab.

Mentoring: No one is being mentored currently.

New Contract: Jack negotiated a new contract for the Crown Heights facility.

District 3: Bill was unable to attend, but Jack reminded us there is a Regional in July in New Jersey.

Annual Meeting: The April 4 luncheon begins at 11:00 at Longobardi's. We will set-up the tables at 10:00 that morning. Everyone should come to see if he or she can help. Kara and Tamar will collect any outstanding payments at the restaurant and again before the game. Joanna will help if needed.

Sectional: Michael was not present, but Ceil reported he wants to put prices on the flyer. After discussion, the prices are \$20 per player for each session for the pair's games and \$30 per person for the Daylong Swiss Teams.

Investment: Ed Herbst told us about Flex CDs. There was a discussion regarding investing in a CD. Jack suggested Ed, our incoming Treasurer, and Tamar, our outgoing Treasurer, discuss this and come up with a recommendation.

Insurance: Insurance must be renewed in June. Jack will inform us of the cost.

ACBL Awards: Jack informed us that the ACBL has started a Virtual Ace of Clubs award. Jack will present the certificates at the Annual Meeting.

Next meeting will be held April 15 at 7:30. This will give us time to discuss the Sectional, coming May 3-5.

Adjournment: Jack asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ceil moved; Kara seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35PM.

Cecilia Collopy
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DCBA Secretary