

Meeting Minutes  
East Bay Unit 502 Board of Directors  
May 5, 2019

The meeting of the East Bay Unit 502 Board of Directors was called to order at 10:25 am by President Libby Silver.

Attending Board Members: Larry Bowerman, Estelle Baum, Monica Deutsch, Joseph Held, Don Levine, Neal Mazaroff, Esther Rubke, Libby Silver, David Snyder and Marcia Wasserman.

Missing: Doug Couchman and Rose Ann Kase.

1) The **minutes** for the March 17, 2019 meeting were approved.

2) **Treasury Report:**

Treasurer David Snyder reported per previously distributed Q1 Financials that the Unit has over \$26,000 in assets and no liabilities. The fund balance has roughly doubled in the last 4.5 years, thanks to the generous series of anonymous donations and fiscal prudence on events spending. Treasurer suggested that we put suggestions for strategic investment on a future meeting agenda. President Silver did caution that we need to be prepared for a Sectional rent increase as the current contract is only for two years.

Treasurer also announced intent to purchase a one year \$10K CD which will be linked to the Unit's B of A checking account. This action will generate approximately \$200 annually with no risk. There is no prohibition in the Unit 502 By-Laws. Treasurer also confirmed post-meeting with D21 President Pajak that the Unit has had CDs in the past and that there is nothing in the ACBL By-Laws that prohibits said action.

3) The **Fall NABC in San Francisco (11/28/19 to 12/8/19)**: Joseph Held will organize/coordinate the Unit 502 volunteers that will be needed for the NABC's (our date is tentatively 12/8/19, the last day of the tournament, but this still needs to be confirmed).

4) Joseph Held circulated **his sign-up sheet for Unit Game lunches and board preparation**. Two people are needed to prepare lunches for every Unit Game, so each Board member should sign-up for four Unit Games during the year. If you haven't reviewed the list recently, please find the latest version from Joseph and sign up accordingly. In addition, if you have signed up for a particular date and need to change it, please arrange for a substitute and let Joseph know once you've confirmed the change with your substitute. Larry said that he would be making the boards for the June 2, 2019 Unit Game this afternoon (he did make them).

#### 5) Various **Unit Game Issues:**

\*The Board voted to name and dedicate a Unit Game to honor former Board Member **Russell Rector**. That game will be on Sunday, August 4, 2019.

\*The Board voted to pay Betty Kael \$20 if she does cleaning after a Sunday Unit Game. This is the same amount paid to Cathleen Otvos when she cleans after a Unit Game.

\*Doug Couchman had suggested that the Board consider making two sets of boards for Unit Games so that web movements could be used. The board decided that this should be voluntary, at the discretion of the Board maker.

\*Also per Doug's suggestion, we considered pre-made boards and hand records for Sectional Swiss events. The Board decided unanimously that this involved too much logistical complexity and additional effort when we are short-handed for many critical tasks..

\*We are still exploring the possibility of **hiring permanent clean-up help** at various events sponsored by the Unit.

\*Neal Mazaroff is continuing his search for volunteers to bring the food items identified by the Cabrera's for the **July 7th game**. Neal was urged to focus on non-board members if possible.

#### 6) **Carol Warren's Resignation** from the Board:

\*Carol Warren resigned from the Board on March 27, 2019.

\*The Board unanimously approved a resolution of appreciation and thanks to recognize Carol's significant contributions to the Unit over the last several years.

\*The Board discussed **reassignment of Carol's Board tasks for this year:** Marcia will coordinate the four NAP games and represent the Unit at District 21 meetings (Doug is our other D21 representative), Joseph Held and Pam Sawyer will do the two Pizza Swiss games, and Estelle tentatively agreed to do the Tunnel Tournament. Since Tom Pajak is the District 21 President this year, attendance at the D21 meetings at each D21 Regional Tournament is voluntary.

#### 7) Volunteers for **June Sectional Tasks:**

\*There was a lengthy discussion of approximately 24 tasks that need to be done to make the June Sectional successful. Libby, Estelle and Esther are taking the lead on volunteering/assigning people to complete them.

\***Purchasing miscellaneous items** was discussed (microphones, two large salad bowls and an electric tea kettle). Estelle and David will work to make this happen.

8) Since our 7/21/19 **Board Meeting** conflicts with the NABCs in Las Vegas, the Board voted to move it to **August 4, 2019**.

9) The meeting was **adjourned** at 11:10 am.

Submitted by,

Larry Bowerman

Upcoming Events:

Upcoming board meetings: August 4, Sept 15 and Nov 3 (Larry isn't able to attend 11/3/19 meeting, but he will recruit someone to take notes).

Pizza Swiss: May 19 and Oct 20 (Joseph Held and Pam Sawyer)

Sectionals: June 22 & 23, Nov. 16 & 17 (Libby, Esther and Estelle; volunteers needed)

4th of July Picnic: July 7 (Bob and Karen Cabrera; Neal to recruit food volunteers)

NAP Games: June 2, July 21, Aug 18, NAP Final on Sept 8 (Marcia)

Charity Games: ? (Rose Ann and ?)

Tunnel Tourney: Sept 22 (tentatively Estelle?)

Holiday Banquet: December 15. (Marcia and ??)