

**Minutes of Unit 530 Board Meeting
September 20, 2009**

The meeting was called to order at 11:25 by President Pat Thomas. A quorum was established. Absent was Ron Coffee, Maja and Ron Loiacono.

The minutes of the August 23, 2009, meeting were approved.

The Treasurer's report was presented. Treasurer Jane Diamond reported she had transferred \$30,000 into a 2%APR CD with the First National of Central California. Diamond also presented the form to be used for reimbursement for Unit game expenses. The Treasurer's report was approved.

Larry Slayton's Income and Expense report was reviewed. The Treasurer's report and I/E report are to be filed for audit.

Old Business:

A discussion regarding the Unit 530 Goodwill Award. President Thomas presented a letter submitted the District 21 Goodwill Chairman. She had been requested to further elucidate commendations for our current nominee. The Board complied. Doug Halleen displayed the Goodwill pen that will be given to the award winner.

There will be three award winners annually. A President's award and two awards promoted by the Unit 530 membership. Publicity Chair Donna Jett volunteered to write the process with criteria for future nominations for this lifetime award.

President Thomas requested a Policy Review Committee. Doug Halleen, Jane Diamond and Barbara Genovese volunteered.

A draft letter regarding the building problem was distributed to the board. Suggestions were made. The letter will be revised and sent.

Conditions for the Pro-Am Swiss team Unit game for November 15th was provided.

New Business:

Directors responding to the BOD invitation were Marianne van Gelder, Betty Jackson and Wally Thorpe. Director Jill Leach was unable to attend but did provide suggestions through an email. Foremost on the list was the lack of Unit game participation by the 299er membership. The consensus is that this falls to those Board members who are part of this population. They have been tasked with publicizing, encouraging, signing-up and generally speaking, urging them to participate in Unit games and the NAP games.

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According to Pat Thomas, Unit 530 has more ACBL availability to play Unit games, but the difficulty is in scheduling them at a time that will not conflict with other ongoing games. The additional games would allow us to have a variety of Pro-Am formatted games and leave the 3rd Sunday Unit games to be more of the seeded partnership games. Possible game times will be researched.

Marianne van Gelder was asked to present rule changes at the next Unit game. The rule changes will begin at 1:00 until 1:10 p.m. Five minutes will then be allowed for questions and discussion. A request for the ACBL rule book to be on hand was made and will be ordered.

A request was made for a new computer, printer and DSL connection. This is currently being researched by Ron Loiacono.

There was a discussion regarding the cleanliness of our bridge center. Agreement was made that at the end of the Sunday Unit game, the host will clear out the refrigerator, (excluding the condiments on the door) and then the janitorial service will clean the refrigerator thoroughly. All the membership is to be encouraged to maintain cleanliness of our building as they would in their own home.

Meeting adjourned by Pat Thomas at 12:55.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Genovese, Secretary