

**Board of Directors Meeting
ACBL Unit 178 (Viking)
September 26, 2024**

Meeting was held online via Zoom

1. Called to order 4:32 p.m. by Sue Sanger

Members Present: Sue Sanger (Pres), Teri Blu (VP), Marylou Doerrie, Tom Botten, Vicky Smith (Treas), Jane Schmidt (Secy)

Members absent: Todd Flowerday

Also present: Keith Thompson

2. Minutes of meeting 7/18/24 accepted

3. Treasure's report accepted

4. Tournament reports

a. Aquatennial

BCStP has no funds to refurbish chairs, so is unable to accept matching gift from proceeds of 2024 tournament.

2025 Aquatennial Sectional will be held July 9-11 at Maple Grove Community Center.

Contract has been signed. Sectional is not expected to be as profitable as this year due to higher facility costs. Schedule of game has not been determined yet.

b. Proposal for game on Padelford riverboat

Cost to rent the boat is \$5000 minimum, which includes the boat and dinner. This is viewed as prohibitive.

Motion to drop the idea was passed without opposition.

c. Volunteer to send out Welcome Letters

Janice Hartness will send out Welcome letters to new members of the Unit.

d. Proposal for Challenge Game

Todd brought this up at the last meeting. Deferred in his absence.

e. Enhancing MN players at NABC

This was not discussed at the Unit 103 board meeting. Not discussed here.

5. New Business

a. New tables for Tournaments

Matt Balau bought 20 new tables before the Med City Regional. Unit 103 half the expense; Unit 178 share is \$496.05.

Motion: to approve the expense was approved without opposition

b. Joint Awards Party with Unit 103

Generally felt to be a good idea, except that it would take a long time and the Roseville bridge center is too small for a joint event. Presentations could be sped up, i.e., by runners to hand out certificates. Could be held at the Gopher for more space.

Sue will communicate this with President of Unit 103.

c. New Unit Board Member

Rather than appoint a new member, Sue prefers an open process.

Jane will ask for interested members in next newsletter.

All members should recruit candidates.

d. How to Form Teams in Pair/Team Games

Unit 103 has a policy to match C pairs with A pairs; B pairs go wherever they fit. This is generally acceptable.

Keith will send Unit 103 policy document to Board members to review and adopt or adapt.

e. Bylaws update

Most recent copy of the bylaws (from Steve Gaynor) is dated 2008 and contains handwritten correction. It obviously needs updates.

Sue will send 2008 document to members.

Keith will send Unit 103 documents.

All will review and consider changes.

6. Adjourned at 5:27

	Responsible	Action	Update
1	All	Contact lapsed members, update online list	No update
2	Sue	Ask Steve G about insurance	Not addressed
3	Sue	Partnership chair for Oct Sectional	Sue Sanger
4	Todd	Challenge Match proposal	deferred
5	Sue	Bridge cruise on Paddleford	Dropped. See 4.b
6	Tom	Contact BCofStP Board about funds to refurbish chairs	Dropped. See 4.a
7	Sue	Communicate with Unit 103 President about joint awards party	New
8	Jane	Message in newsletter to recruit candidate(s) for board	New
9	All	Recruit candidate(s) for board	New
10	Keith	Send Unit 103 Policy document to Board	New
11	Sue	Send latest Unit 178 Bylaws to Board	New
12	Keith	Send Unit 103 Bylaws to Board	New
13	All	Review documents	New