

UNIT 178 BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 9, 2019

1) Barb Zipoy called the Meeting to order. Present were Judy Hansen, Richard Cottle, John Schlundt, Cass Weil, Tom Sneed and Liz Hughes.

2) The minutes from the last meeting were approved.

3) The Financial Report was approved.

4) Tournaments

GNT District Finals in Iowa May 4-5. Mike Cassel reported on some of his efforts to generate more interest and higher participation. He expressed his frustration with having his proposal to send a second team in the B flight voted down. He then drafted Conditions of Contest to handicap the Qualifying round but to increase the handicap to 150% in the semi-finals and finals. This recognizes the wide range of experience within the B flight. No board action was requested.

Gopher Regional. John said he has been attending the planning meetings along with Steve Gaynor. He noted they are looking for help to staff the I/N desk.

5) Properties

Kerry cleaned the Bridgemates at TCBC and the Grand Slam club in January. This should be done quarterly.

5). Old Business

Judy reported that the New Member letter is done and has been sent to all who have joined since July. She gets the list from the ACBL in what is called the In and Out. For lapsed members there is a coding system for a reason. Cass and Tom agreed to share calling these members. Additionally Judy has discovered that members who are inactive for 2 years are put in a Unit 777. She has been going through these names to clean out members who have died or otherwise have left. She has also taken over, for now, email messaging and has sent one out.

## 6) New Business

Judy reported the Awards Banquet is set for Sunday April 28 with a lunch, meeting and game. Steve Gaynor will direct the game. Teri has applied to make it a unit game so there will be enhance master points. The flyer is up and invitations will be mailed or delivered to all the winners.

Longest Day. Liz and Richard agreed to coordinate.

New Sanction for Scott in Edina. He just needs to apply. No action necessary by us.

Funding for the Collegiate Tournament. There was a request for the Unit to help send some of the bridge players from the U of MN and Carleton to the Collegiate tournament in Las Vegas. After some discussion the board voted to not fund the request at this time.

7) The next meeting was scheduled on May 9, 2019 at 9:00 at the TCBC.

8) The meeting was adjourned.