Board of Directors Meeting

ACBL Unit 178 (Viking)

March 19, 2026

The meeting was held online via Zoom

Called to order at 5:00 by Keith Thompson

Attending
Board Members: Keith Thompson, President; Sue Sanger, VP; Jane Schmidt, secretary; Teri Blu; Marsha Devine; Jenny Peterson
Others: none

Agenda:

1. Revisions to the Bylaws and Policy Document (Keith)
   Points to be considered:
   a. Elections currently are held in June, and terms begin July 1. ACBL and Unit 103 have elections at end of calendar
   b. Should the Treasurer be a voting member of the Board?
   c. Currently, Board members may serve only 2 consecutive 4-year terms. Should term limits be eliminated?
   d. Currently terms are 4 years. Unit 103 terms are 3 years.
   e. Should Board members be paid for attending meetings? Unit 103 pays $35.
      Sue: this dates from before virtual meetings, members had to travel to meetings. However, 103 still pays.
      Motion by Jane to pay Board members $35 to attend meetings, seconded by Keith. Failed 1-4, 1 abstention.

   <u>Jane</u> will assemble a list of current terms of Board members.
   <u>Jane</u> will send latest version of Policy Document to Board.
   <u>All</u> will review current Policy Doc and Draft Policy Doc from merger committee, and suggest changes needed (if any).

2. Tournaments
   a. Aquatennial Sectional is next week. All games will be Pair/Team games, with separate 499-er section.
   b. No update on Fall sectional
   c. Awards Party will be Saturday, April 25. Unit will provide lunch; top 3 winners in each category (Mini-McKinney and Ace of Clubs at Unit and District level; not virtual Ace of Clubs) will play free. Barb Zipoy will get food. Game will be upgraded to a Unit Championship for more Master Points. Tony will direct.

Jane will send email to all Unit members.

3. Recruiting Social Bridge Players
   a. Sue drafted a flyer for ACBL members to distribute to friend who play social bridge. Keith is working on an attachment to give a free play to those who want to try duplicate.
   b. Norrie Thomas is interested in starting Chat Bridge on Saturdays at Spades & Co. She believes she could get about 12 youths to play twice a month. She will have a proposal for the Unit to pay for youth who play.

4. Other Business
   Teri mentioned that play gets really slow sometimes, and no clock is used to encourage timely play. The sense of the Board is that Directors should encourage timely play in open games. Keith will draft a letter to Directors to this effect, and circulate it to the Board for comments outside of a regular meeting.

Next meeting is at 5:00 on April 15.

Adjourned at 6:05

	Action	**Responsible**	**Update**
1	Contact lapsed members, update online list	All	Ongoing
2	Request for start-up materials for Spades & Co	Norrie Thomas	To be revised
3	At Risk link to board	Steve	
4	Current terms of Board members	Jane	
5	Send current Policy doc to Board	Jane	
6	Review current Policy and draft merger Policy docs	All	
7	Send email to all Unit members about Awards party	Jane	
8	Draft letter to Directors saying they should encourage timely play in club games	Keith	