Minutes for Board Meeting, November 8, 2017 ACBL Unit 143 Board of Directors

Attendees: Becky Hubert, President; Mark Boswell, Vice President; Dianne Glick, Secretary; Lee Hastings; Linda Seibert; Mary Dolan; John Antognoli; Mark Ziegelman; Jay Shah and Mike Carmen **Absentees:** Jeff Kopolow; Debbie Romero and Dennis Abeln

President Hubert called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Mark Z moved to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2017, meeting, seconded by John Antognoli. Minutes were approved for posting. President Hubert has invited us to a special venue for our Holiday meeting on December 13, 2017, as the guests of Becky and her husband, John. We decided to return to Bellerive, where our last celebration was held. Many thanks to President Hubert and her husband.

Sectional Report: Mike Carmen reported on the October Sectional Our numbers were down by 10 tables from last year, possibly due to conflicting tournaments. The Directors were well received. IN range in future will be 299, not 199. IN would prefer pairs on Sunday rather than Swiss. We will try it once in January. Pricing was discussed. The Board decided to continue its policy to underwrite I/N cost and therefore will charge \$14 per session, to include lunch. There will be NO change in pricing for non-INs.

Regional Report: Mike Carmen reported that we are under contract with Renaissance Hotel for 2018, 2019 and 2020. The Board discussed proposed planning ideas. We have made some decisions but need to review further. Facebook was discussed as a possible marketing tool for our Unit. The Board will look into this further.

Treasurer's Report: There was no formal report, as Jeff was absent. The report was posted on line.

Old Business: The subject of redoing our remaining tables was brought up. Lee is investigating purchasing new tables, rather than redoing the old ones. He will report in December.

Awards: Mark B will handle Awards for 2018.

Bidding Boxes and Signs: John Antognoli reported all is in order for Winter Sectional. He will check signs to see if we need anything further.

Datebook: Dennis Abeln will be in charge of Datebook for next year.

Membership: Jay Shah has sent letter to all new members. Current membership is 1347.

Partnership: Linda Seibert will take over Partnership for 2018. No report.

Unit Games: Mark Boswell No report.

New Business: Election of Officers was held: Becky was nominated and elected President, motion by Jay, second by John. Mark B was nominated and elected Vice President, motion by Dianne, second by John.

Jeff was elected unanimously for one more year, to finish his term on the Board.

Announcements: Our next meeting will be held on December 13, 2017, at Belle Rive Country Club.

Adjournment: Linda moved to adjourn, seconded by John.