

## **ACBL Unit 143 Board Meeting Minutes, November 11, 2020**

**Location:** The meeting was conducted on-line using ZOOM due to risk of COVID-19 Virus

**Attendees:** Dennis Abeln, Mark Boswell, Maureen Curran, Terry D'Amato, Diane Deutch, Estella Lau, Ken Obrecht, John Welte, Kelly White, Mark Zellmer.

**Absent:** Jan Potts, Jay Shah.

The meeting was called to order by President Mark Boswell at 7:05 PM.

**Secretary's Report:** Minutes from the October board meeting were submitted by Dennis via e-mail. The minutes were approved as submitted.

### **President's Report:**

Mark B introduced Ken Obrecht and Mark Zellmer as nominees to fill the open positions on the board of directors. Both were approved by vote of the board. Dennis agreed to review the expiration dates of the terms they are filling. Terry requested photos and short biography for posting on the Unit's Director page.

**Treasurer's Report:** Kelly had presented the monthly treasurer's report. The only activity was quarterly dues sharing payment from ACBL. The report was approved as submitted.

**District 8 Report:** Mark. No activity/

### **Tournaments:**

The purchase of registration gifts for the August Regional will continue to be postponed due to uncertainty caused by COVID-19.

### **Committee Reports**

**Awards:** Mark asked Kelly to order more Life Master pins, as the inventory is down to two.

**Bidding Boxes & Time Clocks:** No discussion.

**Caddies:** Maureen. No activity.

**Datebook:** Dennis. No activity.

**Membership:** Jay. No report.

**Publicity:** Estella. No activity.

**Unit Electronic Contact:** Kelly, no activity. Mark B asked Kelly to notify ACBL of the unit officer changes.

**Unit Games:** Dennis, no activity. Mark B inquired about Unit Games for 2021. Dennis will check to see whether sanctions can be obtained.

**Website:** Terry. The website has been kept up to date.

**Hospitality:** Diane. No activity.

**Education / Camp Scholarships:** Jan. No report.

**Outreach:** Jan. No report.

**Advocate:** Jan. No report

**Finance:** Kelly. Need to appoint new committee member(s) to replace Doug Larson and John Levis.

**Nominations:** John had nominated Ken and Mark Z for the open board positions. No additional activity.

**Bylaws/Rules Review:** Dennis. No activity.

**Photographer:** Not discussed.

**Annual Meeting:** John reported he did not receive any petitions for board membership by the November 8 deadline, so the nominated slate is automatically elected and run-off elections by the unit members is not needed, as per the bylaws.

Postcards giving notice of the annual meeting at 7pm on Jan 7, 2021 need to be mailed no later than Dec 8 which is 30 days before the meeting, as per the bylaws. Kelly agreed to have the postcards printed, labeled, stamped and mailed.

Meeting agenda will be President's Report and Treasurer's Report. The re-elected board members will be listed along with explanation that election by the membership is not necessary. Dennis, John, Mark B and Dennis will confer on what the postcard should say and pass on to Kelly.

John will organize the meeting as virtual using Zoom. His Zoom license is limited to 100 participants which is not expected to be a problem. Instructions on how to participate will be included on the postcards and on the unit website.

**Unit Officer Elections:** John Welte was elected President, Mark Boswell was elected Vice President, Kelly White was elected Treasurer and Dennis Abeln was elected Secretary. John will generate a President's message for the unit website and send to Terry. Kelly will update the spreadsheet listing unit officer names, addresses and phone numbers and share with the board members.

**Old Business:** Maureen asked about printing a new Unit 143 Membership Directory. There was no support for spending money on this. Individual member information is available on the unit website, but the functionality that allows downloading the entire membership list has been broken for some time and the associated instructions on how to use it have been removed. Terry will contact Milt Zlatic to determine status on his work restoring the ability to download the entire directory.

**New Business:** none.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be Wednesday, December 9, 2020 at 7 pm via ZOOM. John Welte will email instructions on how to participate.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 pm.

Minutes submitted by Dennis Abeln, Secretary. November 14, 2020.