

Unit 119 Minutes
Wilson
1-19-13

The meeting was called to order by David Rogers. Anne Griffin was thanked for making arrangements for lunch and hosting the board meeting. We missed John Markey who sadly had to go to Hawaii instead of joining us.

All attending were introduced: Bill Mears, David Rogers, Nancy Thompson, Ann Pozdol, Barbara Toomey, Faye Dempsey, Bruce Reeve, Mym Young, Becky Wilson, Ann Griffin, Lee Johnson, Paul Johnson, Skip Peckens, Bobbi Peckens, Bob White, and Pal Hargittai.

Minutes from the October 2012 meeting were amended to read "John Markey made the Charity Report for Lee Johnson" and approved.

The Treasurer's Report noted receipts of \$1672.08, expenditures of \$1431.34 and total cash on hand of \$13,483.68. David Rogers asked about the buildup of money in the treasury. Bruce Reeve, after making the report, stated that the monies have stayed relatively the same over the years. The board was encouraged to spread the word that funding is available for clubs and/or individuals with new ideas about how to spread enthusiasm for the game of bridge and reach new players.

Charity Report

Lee Johnson presented the Charity Report. The first two games will be held in May this year on Monday and Thursday hosted by the Vanderbilt Club in Wake County. Paul Johnson will contact the area clubs to find out which ones will be participating. Lee has been heading our Charity Committee since 1994. Both she and Paul were thanked by David Rogers for their ongoing efforts.

Goodwill

Before the Goodwill nominees were selected, Bruce Reeve moved that a Goodwill Selection Committee be appointed comprised of existing Goodwill Committee Members representing all 4 areas of Unit 119. This standing committee will be responsible for making recommendations to the U119 Board for new members of the Goodwill Committee beginning in 2014. The Unit 119 Board will have final approval of the nominees. The motion was passed and Bruce Reeve volunteered along with Ann Pozdol, Mym Young and Paul Johnson to serve on the Goodwill Selection Committee.

A brief bridge biography of each of the 2013 nominees was given by a board member. Marjorie Crisp and Joyce Lamm were elected.

Bill Mears, Molly Mears, Louise King and Barbara Wright were added to the list of candidates for the Goodwill Committee.

District 7

2013 D7 representatives:

1. Ann Lockhart-Crystal Coast
2. Down East-Bruce Reeve volunteered to fill the open Down East seat.
3. David Rogers- Sandhills
4. John Markey- Triangle

Bob White (incoming MABC President) is available to act as proxy for any representative unable to

attend.

Audrey Ventura was approved as U119 Regional Chair at the Charleston D7 Meeting.

The August 7, 2013 Swiss Teams will be named "North State Unit 119 Open Swiss Teams" at the Atlanta Nationals. Preceding the Atlanta Nationals, there will be 5 days of youth events. Jack Feagin is still looking for volunteers who will receive free plays and free hotel rooms at the Nationals. Call him if you or anyone you know is interested.

MABC

MABC will vote on Audrey Ventura as the U119 Regional Chair at its next meeting.

The MABC only funds banners for new tournaments. U119 Board approved \$250 for fabrication and \$250 for design of a banner for the Raleigh Regional. Contact with the ACBL to comply with location requirements of logos on banners was suggested by Bob White. Some military theme was also suggested.

U119 Regional

Audrey Ventura plans to add a two-morning Gold Rush Pairs and a corresponding two-morning A/X Open Pairs or Swiss to the U119 Regional schedule. The motion was made and approved for this as well as a mid-week Swiss Teams, possibly Friday. The board strongly encourages a full 4 matches in the afternoon and 4 full matches in the evening for this Swiss Team. Two Junior games will be named in honor of Bruce Reeve.

U119

Sanctions for sectional tournaments are being filled through 2015. File your sanctions early to get your preferred weekend(s).

Remind your tournaments chairs and directors that results are now required to be uploaded nightly for U119 sectionals. This is a nice service to provide our members.

The updated U119 Summary of Decisions was approved.

Bill Mears requested that U119 fund the Raleigh Sectional entry fees for Raleigh Junior Bridge members in 2013. The fees would cover up to 4 tables at each sectional, with a cap of \$240 for the three 2013 sectional tournaments. This request was passed by the board.

Pal Hargittai stated that all students play free at the Greenville Sectional. Funding for this sectional was denied by the board due to unknown cost and the definition of "student" possibly being someone enrolled in one course.

Mym Young asked that better scheduling for STAC Games be instated. Her club cannot participate because the facility will be closed Easter Weekend. Bob Heller is the coordinator and should be contacted to investigate making a change in this process.

Bruce Reeve asked that tournament chairs send sectional fliers to the unit clubs. He would like to have the information readily available for his players.

Paul Johnson reported that online bridge competition is being investigated but not being held in the

immediate future.

The next meetings will be held in Greenville, April 13 then Carthage, September 21.

Meeting adjourned.

Recording Secretary,
Nancy Thompson