

Unit 163 Board Meeting

October 15, 2016 at La Quinta Inn, Davenport

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Unit 163 of the ACBL was held at the La Quinta Inn on Saturday, October 15, 2016. The meeting was called to order by President MaryAnn Boardman at 1:30 p.m. Members present were Janee Oleson, Martha Peterson, Michelle Feeney, Tom Flanders, Joe Pieper, MaryAnn Boardman and Gary Edwards. Members absent were Rob Apel, Wyn Seeley, Melissa Heston and Carol Whiteis. Also in attendance were Bob Otto, Paulette Koontz, and Bill Kent.

After changing "Law committee" to "Membership committee", in the Hall of Fame discussion, it was moved by Tom, seconded by MaryAnn, to approve the minutes from the August 27, 2016 meeting. The motion carried.

After adding "Motion to approve President's challenge" to the membership report, Martha moved, Michelle seconded a motion to approve the agenda. The motion carried.

Gary gave the financial report. Hills made \$589.01, Dubuque lost \$132.97, 2015-2016 GNT subsidies cost \$479.25, NAP subsidies cost \$1367.50, and the ACBL membership rebates added \$1245.85 to our assets. Ending balance was \$21,471.56. Lengthy discussion was held on the GNT and NAP subsidies, with input from Bob Otto and Bill Kent. The fee structure from the ACBL has increased, and the Unit 163 policies are unclear. Gary and MaryAnn will work with the ACBL to clarify the subsidy structure. Eventually the laws committee, the finance committee and the Special Events coordinator will be involved in this process. Tom moved, Michelle seconded a motion to accept the treasurer's report. The motion carried. Joe gave the tournament committee report. The tournament schedule for 2017 is mostly set. All flyers need to be developed and sent to Jim Jurgenson for printing. Using Pianolo to promote tournaments is encouraged. The Tournament Chairperson's Guide will be updated to include a pop policy and a supplies policy.

Joe moved, MaryAnn seconded Motion 16019B to give the Regional Selection Committee authority to sign a contract with a hotel for the 2018 Regional to be held June 25 to July 1, 2018. The motion carried.

Developing a more consistent picture taking policy was discussed in the Communications report. "Marketing Solutions" from the ACBL can aid in communicating with members.

During the finance committee report, Michelle moved, Janee seconded Motion 16020F, to adopt the following policy for sharing Unit 163 assets:

Use of Unit 163 equipment, including tables, boards and bidding boxes, is limited to Unit 163 activity. Exceptions may be made, with the approval of either the President or the Secretary/Treasurer, for use in District 14 activities. This would require District 14, or the Unit within District 14, to provide for transportation from and back to Unit 163, and guarantee replacement or repair to damaged or lost equipment. A \$100 deposit would be required.

The motion carried.

Michelle announced that Ron and Judy Greek are closing their club in Galesburg, and that their assets are for sale.

Martha provided an ACBL Liability Insurance form. It can be downloaded from the ACBL website, <https://fs3.formsite.com/acbl/form632296545/index.html>.

The board encouraged Martha to make several table covers for the Unit's tables. This will hopefully reduce noise.

Gary moved, Joe seconded Motion 16021M, to approve the President's challenge for 2016. This will encourage Sectionals to increase attendance by 10% over the previous three year's average. Rewards will be given to Sectionals achieving this goal. The motion carried.

Gary noted the handouts in the Board packet. Included are a roster of active Unit 163 clubs, an alphabetical listing of Unit members with contact information, and a list of members ranked by number of master points. Gary also asked members to look over the flyer from the Siouxland Regional. It is chaired by Jade Barrett, who has implemented a new schedule that he feels is well suited to smaller Regionals.

Joe moved, Janee seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 2:47 p.m.

Gary Edwards, Secretary

Organizational meeting, October 15, 2016

MaryAnn Boardman called the organizational meeting to order at 2:48 p.m., October 15, 2016 at the La Quinta Inn in Davenport. Members present were Janee Oleson, Martha Peterson, Michelle Feeney, Tom Flanders, Joe Pieper, MaryAnn Boardman and Gary Edwards. Members absent were Rob Apel, Melissa Heston, Wyn Seeley and Carol Whiteis.

Gary moved, Tom seconded a motion to appoint MaryAnn Boardman as chair of the organizational meeting. The motion carried.

Gary moved, Michelle seconded a motion to elect MaryAnn Boardman as President, Janee Oleson as Vice-President, and Gary Edwards as Secretary/Treasurer by unanimous consent. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 2:51 p.m.

Gary Edwards, secretary