

## Board Meeting of Unit 163 of the ACBL

Saturday, January 23, 2016

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Unit 163 of the ACBL was held at Glovik Hall in Cedar Rapids, Iowa on Saturday, January 23, 2016. The meeting was called to order by President MaryAnn Boardman at 1:50 p.m. Members present were MaryAnn Boardman, Janee Oleson, Melissa Heston, Michelle Feeney, Tom Flanders, Wyn Seeley, and Gary Edwards. Members absent were Rob Apel, Joe Pieper and Martha Peterson.

Wyn moved, Carol seconded a motion to approve the agenda. The motion carried.

Carol moved, Tom seconded a motion to approve the minutes from the October 17, 2015 Board meeting, the October 17, 2015 Organizational meeting, and the October 18, 2016 Membership meeting. The motion carried.

Gary gave the financial report. Davenport II lost \$160.79. Waterloo II lost \$267.02. For the year, the 11 Sectionals earned \$1099.16. Loss for the year was \$2588.64, leaving a balance in the bank of \$15,292.43. Michelle moved, MaryAnn seconded a motion to accept the financial report. The motion carried.

Gary distributed the 2016 calendar and a summary of 2015 free plays. There were 210 free plays at Unit 163 Sectionals in 2015.

Committee assignments were discussed. Melissa will chair the laws committee, Wyn will chair the communications committee, Joe will chair the tournament committee, Rob will chair the finance committee, and Janee will chair the membership committee.

Melissa moved, Carol seconded motion 16001F to appoint MaryAnn Boardman as an authorized signer of the Iowa State Bridge League checking account at West Bank or any other authorized financial institution. The motion carried.

Carol moved, Michelle seconded motion 16002F to approve the 2016 budget as presented. The motion carried.

Janee moved, Wyn seconded motion 16002T, which sets starting times for Unit 163 Sectionals as follows:

Weekdays: 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.; or 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Saturday: 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.; or 9:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.; or 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Sunday: 10:00 a.m.

The motion carried.

Carol moved, Wyn seconded motion 16004T, which deletes "The ISBL has no Zero Tolerance policy" from our policies. This ensures that Unit 163 agrees with the ACBL policy regarding Zero Tolerance. The motion carried.

Melissa moved, Michelle seconded motion 16005T to approve the Special Events Guide and to post it on the web site. The motion carried. The Board thanked MaryAnn for her work on developing this guide, and making the process of special games easier to understand for Board members, club owners and Unit 163 members.

Gary reported on the Coralville Regional to be held June 28 – July 3, 2016. All Board members will be asked to bring two tables of players to each session to ensure success. Carol Whiteis and Bill Kent are working on the flyer and will have it finished soon.

MaryAnn reported on the Awards Banquet which will be a two session event at Glovik Hall in Cedar Rapids on February 27, 2016, with a catered meal between sessions. Ace of Club and Mini-Mckenney winners will be honored, as well as many others in Unit 163. Tom will check with the ACBL about awards for the newly created ruby and sapphire awards.

The Board thanked Jim Jurgenson for his work printing and distributing tournament flyers.

Gary reminded the Board to discard the old laws and membership lists from the blue notebooks and replace them with the new ones included in the Board packet.

Janee related a member's concern about not being allowed to speak and being treated rudely at the Membership meeting. The Board pointed out that he was allowed to speak of his concerns, but that it is the right and duty of the chairperson to cut off debate and call for a vote as they see fit.

The meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Gary Edwards, Secretary/Treasurer