Minutes of Board of Director's Meeting May 1, 2016 Gilroy, Morgan Hill, Hollister Duplicate Bridge Club Unit 524

Present: President Kenneth Johnson, Vice-President Lyle Supp, Treasurer Vincent McLoughlin, Secretary Dian Wood Picone, Excused: Mark Sulcynski, Member at Large. Guest: Linda King

- I. Minutes of prior meeting, approved.
- II. Treasurer's Report, approved.

III. Old Business

- a.) Ken reviewed the "In and Out" Report. Dian will check with Paul Huse as to status.
- b.) Skip Pack's new email address will be added to the Membership address report. Skip is taking the Director's test this month.
- c.) Starting in 2016, Unit 524 financial reports are generated using the Quicken accounting program and are subsequently posted on the Unit 524 website.

IV. New Business

- a.) The present columnists for the Bridge Forum have given their notice. The Board will solicit membership for a replacement columnist.
- b.) Vinny will check with Mark Sulcynski to determine whether he is unable to return as Member at Large. Until we find a replacement, Vinny will take care of Partnerships and Dian will take over "Sunshine."
- c.) Unit 524 is allowed, per ACBL, to hold two Unit games each month. The membership was surveyed about adding a second game in Hollister and the response was favorable. The Board decided to hold a quarterly game in Hollister, starting in the third quarter. Linda King will direct the game.
- d.) Linda and the Board discussed ways in which membership could be increased. The most likely source will be the newly retired; leafleting The Villages and other retirement communities in the area may be a way to get

more members. Linda joined a discussion on how the Board can get more Unit members involved in Unit activities. John Beebe is chairing the 2016 Earthquake Sectional, but the Unit needs volunteers to chair future Sectionals and for other positions. The suggestion that club owners be invited to all Board meetings starting in July 2016 was approved.

- e.) Second day activity for the Sectional was discussed. The paucity of under 299ers at the 2015 was a concern. Ken is going to solicit the Membership to see if a regular open pairs would appeal where the 2015 Swiss Teams did not.
- f.) Ken presented a budget for 2016 and will post it to the Unit 524 website.

Next Board Meeting, June 19, 2016 at 11:00 AM Meeting Adjourned at 12:15

Respectfully submitted, Dian Wood Picone, Secretary