

Board of Directors Meeting Unit 524

Saturday, February 19, 2022

8:30 AM

Via Zoom

Board Members: President Jim Craig, Vice President Suzanne Proctor, Treasurer Ken Johnson, Membership Anna Gervacio, Secretary Barbara Miller

1. Minutes- Barbara Miller

Motion: by Suzanne Proctor

Move to accept the January 16, 2022 Unit 524 Board Minutes as they stand.

Seconded by Ken Johnson and passed without dissent.

2. Treasurers Report- Ken Johnson

Ken noted that there is very little to report due to no income from cancelled January Unit Game. The only expense was \$76.00 for the Medallions purchased for Ace of Clubs or Mini-McKenney recognition. They will be presented to the winners by President Jim Craig at the March Unit Game.

3. Membership Reports- Anna

a. New Rankings

Maureen Van Tuyl: Club Master

Vincent McLoughlin: Ruby Life Master

b. In and Out Reports

Ellen Fu moved out the area and left Unit 524.

Mrs. Ayako Narumi transferred into our unit from SM/RWC Unit 498.

There are 17 inactive members. Anna will contact them to encourage renewal.

Anna presented ideas for a membership survey including questions concerning membership satisfaction, recruitment of new members, and potential mentors, teachers and directors.

ALL BOARD MEMBERS WILL REVIEW THE SERVEY QUESTIONS BEFORE THE MARCH MEETING!

4. ACBL & District New/Reports: - Jim

Jim will attend Special District Meeting on 2/23/22. Information on the negotiations between Monterey and the Hyatt are on the agenda.

There was further discussion about the possibility of a Unit 524 Grand National Team including C players. It was suggested that finding someone who isn't playing to help newer players with registration and signup would be beneficial.

5. **New Business:**

- a. Discussion on the logistics and responsibilities at the Unit Games. Anna suggested a check list. Jim will ask for volunteers at the February Unit Game. A list of items and where they are stored was suggested. Ken mentioned the assets planning list may be helpful.

- b. Anna discussed ideas for Unit 524 to be more visible on social media and in local events to increase Bridge membership. She also suggested using high school volunteers who need community service hours.

- c. Anna presented possible Morgan Hill venue ideas and fundraising/sponsorship concepts that we may use for future events. Ken will follow up on tax-free donation possibilities. Anna shared information about Morgan Hill grants for nonprofits. It was suggested that moving the sectional to Morgan Hill would be a possibility to consider for 2023. Anna will check if we are approaching an anniversary of the Earthquake Sectional.

5. **Old Business:**

- a. Table covers for bridge tables have arrived, have been washed, and are ready to use. Barb Miller will store them and bring them to the Unit Games. She will find a volunteer if she is unable to attend the Unit Game.

- b. Jim will inquire about the Diamond in the Ruff Unit Column writer or writers.

- c. Our Website was reviewed and suggestions were made. It was agreed that there is good information on the website, but the navigation needs to be improved. It was suggested to add a link to the website to the bottom of any communication to members. We were reminded to continue to visit the website and offer suggestions.

6. **Earthquake Sectional Updates-** Suzanne Proctor

Suzanne reported that the Gilroy Senior center still is not accepting reservations for the facility. She will check again this week. She has the flyer ready. We would follow the mask mandates of the facility or county. The cost for the venue has been a donation of \$500.00.

7. **Adjournment:** Next Board Meeting March 19, 2022, via Zoom

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Barbara Miller