

Unit 487 Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes (As Amended)

1/8/2020

In attendance:

Directors: Kristin Steinmetz, George O’Leary, Paul Walker, Jon Gassaway, Monte Garrett, Dee Poujade

Kathi Marcus (Treasurer), Alan Johnson (Tournament Director), Ray Robert (Web Master), Mike Eyer (District 20), Staci Christian (Ace of Clubs)

Minutes of the 11/7/19 BOD meeting were approved. They have been sent to Ray Robert and Jon Gassaway via email.

There was a discussion of the Intro to Swiss Teams day to be held at the Ace of Clubs on January 19th. Staci asked for help from the Unit 487 Board and a majority of the Board volunteered to assist on that day.

The Board approved the continued use of the Pianola tool (~\$25 per use) for sending mass emails. Otherwise for emails just to the 487 unit we will try to send using our database via the gmail account. Those emails will need to be broken into batches of less than 500 per 24 hours so will be used for less urgent communications.

Mike talked about changes on the District 20 Board, indicating that some positions may be opening up and encouraging members of the Unit 487 Board to think about running for them. In particular, he mentioned the I/M Novice Coordinator and Tournament Coordinator positions. Mike and Jean Johansson are running for the District President position. Mike also noted that Portland may be back in the running as a site for an ACBL National tournament, since larger venues are getting too expensive. This would be 6 to 8 years out and would require quite a bit of commitment from local volunteers.

Ray talked about his continuing clean-up efforts for the web-site.

Logistics for the upcoming Sectional at Kliever Armory were discussed. Paul is in contact with them and will communicate times available for our setup of tables, food, coffee etc. Kathi presented a budget for the Sectional based on our last 3-day tournament which shows a potential \$3,500 profit. The Board approved increasing the Hospitality budget to \$350 per day which is just a \$50 increase from the budget approved at the 11/7 BOD meeting.

Alan presented proposed flyers for the 3/8 Election Party and the 5/29 Sectional. He will revise them based on feedback from the Board and will send them out via email to the Board. He also presented a full-year calendar of ACBL events and will be sending out a revised version.

Board Nominations: ~~Kristin has agreed to run for a second three-year term although she advised the Board that she may not be able to serve all three years.~~ The board discussed possible candidates and Staci also indicated that she knew of a potential candidate and would get back to us. The Board will need to finalize the candidates no later than our next scheduled meeting (2/6/20).

Kristin reported that her marketing efforts have been successful with at least 6 opportunities for introduction to Bridge sessions at local community and senior centers.

Dee will work on an article for The Trumpet. Kristin will provide pictures from the session that was held at the Lloyd Center last month.

Next Board Meeting 2/6/2020 at PBC.

Future dates:

1/24 to 26/2020 sectional at Kliever

2/6/2020 Unit 487 BOD at PBC

3/8/2020 Election completion and Election Party at PBC

4/21/2020 Unit 487 BOD at the Ace of Clubs

5/29 to 31/2020 sectional at Milwaukie Elks

9/11 to 13/2020 sectional at Milwaukie Elks

George O'Leary, Secretary