Unit 487 Board Meeting Minutes for January 6, 2025

The meeting was called to order by President Paula Koeller at 2:45pm and attended by Paul Walker, Linda Rountree, Carol Holman, Tara McMahon, and Paula Koeller. Board members Karen Douek and Linda Redman were not present

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*Motion made by Tara and seconded by Carol to approve the November minutes. Motion passed.

Financial Report

*Treasurer Paul Walker confirmed that \$20,000 was invested in 3-month CD to be reevaluated every three months. The president or secretary are authorized to reinvest these funds accordingly.

*Paul reviewed the board's year-end Profit and Loss Statement and Balance Sheet, noting that dues earned from ACBL contributed to the increase in board assets.

*Paul filed necessary paperwork to maintain the board's current non-profit status.

Winter Sectional Planning

* Tournament manager Paul Walker reviewed his Budget/Actual worksheet for sectionals and as a cost saving measure he's hired Bacchus to do board duplication services for the winter sectional.

*Partnership coordinators, caddying, hospitality, new player support, and bathroom cleaning all worked well during the Fall sectional and will continue for Winter sectional.

*Round Robins will have new guidelines and an improved process for the Winter sectional utilizing flyers, posters, and director reviews with team captains.

*Paula will send out date reminder email with attachments of flyer and restaurant list.

Other Board Business

*Unit website has been updated and going forward will be updated on quarterly basis by Jennifer.

*The successful 5/5/5 program led by Paula and Karen will continue.

*Friday mentor/mentee is still evolving and averages about 5 tables. Carol will talk to David Castles about covering the director cost and report back to the board. She will also address ethics and mentor role during the games.

*Three candidates have self-nominated for board election on March 30. Hospitality and game schedule for 2025 election party will be same as 2024 election party. Tara will prepare Save the Date email and ask Jennifer to update flyer.

*Paul will coordinate with club owners about a multi-use unit bulletin board to recognize rank advancement, annual awards, and other unit business.

* Carol reported novice players are excited about the new 0-20 game and social bridge continues to have a great turnout. The next Taste of Duplicate will be January 19 and the board will provide pizza for the 12-1:00 lunch and socializing prior to the lesson.

*Paula raised topic of using board funds for scholarships, to support new players, etc. Ideas were discussed and Dave Brower was asked for his input. This will likely be an agenda item at next board meeting.

Next Board Meeting: Monday, February 24 at 2:45pm.