

ACBL UNIT 470

Minutes of March, 15, 2009 Board of Directors Meeting

Members present: Pat Brown, Ann Bernson, Muriel Stitt, Anne Niethammer, Jo Ann Von Elsner, Glenn Mason, Mary Phillips and Iris Chung.

Excused: Lily Johannessen

President Glenn Mason called the meeting to order at 10:05 am at the Continental Plaza reception room. The minutes of the February 8, 2009 meeting were approved with changes. During each meeting, Glenn will prepare an action list with those responsible for carrying out the assignment.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mary Phillips gave a verbal treasurer's report summarizing our current operating cash balance – approximately \$8200. Manoa has been paid for thru the end of the year and Ala Wai is paid thru June. Final February expenses will be available after the Annual Meeting financial settlement.

OLD BUSINESS

By-Laws Committee members are Glenn Mason, Pat Brown and Iris Chung. Iris gave the committee report outlining the review and the committee suggested changes to the By-Laws. Iris will contact ACBL to make sure our By-laws revisions meet ACBL requirements. Action is deferred to future meetings.

Wireless Scoring Devices: A motion was made by Muriel and approved to investigate the purchase of wireless scoring devices to be used in Unit games. Muriel will head the investigation.

NEW BUSINESS

Twenty-Five Year Plus honorees: Pat will contact ACBL for a list of Unit 470 members who have been ACBL members for 25 years or longer. The board would like to honor these members.

Unit volunteers: The board suggested several jobs to be filled by non-board member volunteers:

- 1) Elections – volunteer(s) to run annual elections
- 2) Hospitality – help by purchasing, preparing and serving food at functions
- 3) Goodwill ambassador/membership – volunteer(s) responsible for contacting and helping newcomers.

Several names were suggested as volunteers – Glenn will contact these Unit 470 members.

Annual Meeting Wrap-up: In general the board agreed the meeting/lunch/game was a great success and the Pacific Beach Hotel a fine venue for the event. The board made suggestions for improvements to the next annual meeting.

- 1) Speed-up game entries – perhaps pre-assign table positions from the attendance roster
- 2) Have coffee available during the meeting
- 3) Raffle – expand the player raffle to include both silver and gold life masters

The raffle collected \$441 which will be given to the Hawaii Food Bank.

Thank you Iris for hosting us and for the refreshments and coffee – much appreciated.

The next Board meeting will be held on April 26, 2009 11:30 at the Ala Wai.

Respectively submitted by,

Anne Niethammer, Secretary, March 18, 2009