

**Chicago Contract Bridge Association
Board of Directors Meeting
June 9, 2003**

President Frank Chadwell called the CCBA Board of Directors meeting, at the home of board member Angie Clark, to order at 7:00 PM. Those in attendance and constituting a quorum were:

Frank Chadwell	Angie Clark	John Goldstein	Jim Kolb
Carl Sharp	Tom Sucher	Lavern Wiebe	Kay Hathaway
Bob Ward	Harriette Buckman	Ginny Schuett	Jody Wadhwa
Absent were:	Jackie Addis	Stan Katz	Steve Garner
Also attending were:	Patty Chiszar	Jim Chiszar	Linda Hargnett
	Jeff Miller		

Motion made by Clark to accept the minutes of April 15, 2003. Seconded by Sucher. The motion carried.

TREASURER'S/FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT - Presented by Chadwell in Katz's absence

- Katz redeemed a CD to defray short-term cash flow shortage
- Report by Jim Chiszar on STAC director compensation: Jim is paid an established ACBL rate based upon director rank; STAC money sent to Memphis and the ACBL pays director based upon number of sessions worked, but such amount is less than the intake by ACBL, ACBL retaining some of the money in addition to sanction fees; payment of directors includes a per diem and a transportation stipend

OLD BUSINESS

Bridge Pro Tour (Summerfest, 2003) (Clark)

- 3-year contract has been signed by both parties with appropriate modifications made by Goldstein
- Now called "*Prize Money Bridge*" to eliminate confusion with professional players
- Buttons to be worn advertising "*Ask me about money bridge*"

NEW BUSINESS

GNT Terms (Buckman/Miller)

- GNT/NAOP report by Jeff Miller (district coordinator) and Buckman (national committee chair): issues include whether event should be held; and format of event as held by District 13
- In District 13 players can play in all three flights because of the scheduling of the event; four days to play and win
- Flights B and C – scheduling (e.g., number of days) to be discussed at October meeting

\$1,000 coming from ACBL to the District and to our Unit for Charity (Chadwell)

- Suggestion to give charity amount in name of Bobbie Shipley to American Lung Association; Chadwell and Patty to handle

Motion made by Sharp to donate \$1,000.00 to American Lung Association in memory of Bobbie Shipley. Seconded by Goldstein. The motion carried.

Summerfest, 2003 (Addis)

- Approximately 125 of 225 required room nights booked with more to come as booked by Patty. Patty will also review list of reserved rooms on the day the tournament begins to identify bridge players
- Jim Chiszar requests details as to where supplies are to be dropped off; Kolb to follow up
- Need to confirm caddies, site for refreshment table and book seller and other last minute details. Chadwell and Goldstein to meet with Addis to discuss
- Patty confirmed that paid rooms will include paid parking
- See discussion of caddy parking reimbursement under scheduling section below

Dan Requard Reinstatement (Chadwell)

- Issue of reinstating Dan Requard reopened after two years
- Gary Kessler's appeal to the CCBA for support of Requard
- New appeal to be held at nationals in NOLA
- Virgil Anderson now in charge
- Chadwell will write another letter similar to Tom Dressing's previous letter

Motion made by Clark that Chadwell draft a letter to the ACBL similar to Dressing's prior letter indicating strong support for Requard's reinstatement to the ACBL. Seconded by Wiebe. The motion carried.

Policy Regarding Death Notices Published in Kibitzer (Hargnett)

- No discussion: Chadwell and Hargnett will handle

ACBL Booth at AARP Convention (Buckman)

- AARP convention to be held at McCormick Place during the weekend after Labor Day (9/5-9/7)
- CCBA will send several board members to man the booth and to provide free plays to non-ACBL members

Nominating Committee Chairperson (Chadwell)

- Wiebe will chair the nominating committee
- Goldstein will forward prior nominating committee materials to Wiebe
- Terms for Chadwell, Buckman, Goldstein, Clark and Wadhwa expiring at end of 2003
- Those seeking re-election should notify Wiebe in writing

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN'S REPORTS

Tournament Oversight (Addis) - Presented by Buckman in Addis' absence:

- Discussion as to re-scheduling summer regional during 2006 national
- Goldstein suggested holding the regional in February for 2006 only
- Buckman suggested the Grand Geneva as a possible playing site
- Patty will follow up with Grand Geneva to see if February date feasible

Hospitality (Hathaway):

- Summerfest hospitality under control
- Refreshment stand and bookseller to be located outside of the playing area at a location to be determined
- Hours for refreshment stand to be established and confirmed with last call to be announced to players

Scheduling (Sharp, Chiszar):

- Plans are underway for a one-day October sectional to be held in conjunction with the ABA; one-day tournament sanction already approved by ACBL thanks to Patty's diligence; will consist of two events (1 PM and 7:30 PM); Sharp to follow up
- Discussion as to CCBA reimbursement policy for parking for caddies

Motion made by Sharp to reimburse caddies upon presentation of parking receipt. Seconded by Schuett. The motion carried.

- Reminder that all caddies must be 16 years or older (Chadwell will remind GNT chairperson (Rowen Bell) of this policy)

Communications (Chadwell):

- Recommendation from communications committee that Kibitzer be published quarterly instead of monthly with special additional mailings (e.g., flyers; post cards) to announce tournaments

Sucher made a motion to accept recommendation of communications committee. Seconded by Goldstein . The motion tabled until comparative costs can be determined and presented to the Board.

Juniors/Education (Schuett):

- School year now over; program will continue next September
- TAP to be held in Lake Geneva on Friday and Saturday of regional

Newcomers (Clark):

- First tournament successful
- Second 299er tournament will be held on November 11th and 12th
- Will include hospitality and registration gifts

Membership (P. Chiszar):

- Two pages of new members

Site (Kolb):

- No report
- Sucher advised the Board of the construction of a new convention center in Schaumburg, which will be a Renaissance hotel (part of Marriott chain) and will contain 40,000 sq. ft. of space with a 100,000 sq. ft convention center (a possibility for new tournament space), with a Phase II expansion to be built later; possibility for an early commitment to get a reduced rental rate; Kolb to follow up

Sponsorship (Kolb):

- No report

OTHER BUSINESS

- Remaining 2003 meetings: August 4th (Church in Elmhurst); October 13th (Church in Elmhurst) and December 8 (Angie Clark's house)

- Schuett informed the Board that columnists from the Chicago Tribune will be attending Al Levy's beginning bridge classes and the columnists will report on it in the newspaper
- Sucher passed out a letter expressing his pleasure at serving on the bridge boards and being a part of the bridge community
- Jim Chiszar suggested reinstalling the club directors' breakfast/brunch so CCBA can communicate new laws; policy changes; etc.; to be held next year (possibly in the spring); Schuett will head this up on behalf of the Board

There being no further business for the Board to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made by Kolb. Seconded by Hathaway. The motion carried.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, August 4, at the Church in Elmhurst.

Respectfully submitted,

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