

**Chicago Contract Bridge Association
Board of Directors Meeting
October 13, 2003**

President Frank Chadwell called the CCBA Board of Directors meeting, at the First Congregational Church of Elmhurst, to order at 7:00 PM. Those in attendance and constituting a quorum were:

Frank Chadwell	John Goldstein	Jim Kolb	Tom Sucher
Lavern Wiebe	Kay Hathaway	Bob Ward	Harriette Buckman
Ginny Schuett	Jackie Addis	Stan Katz	Steve Garner
Angie Clark	Jody Wadhwa	Carl Sharp	

Also present were: Patty Chiszar Jim Chiszar

Kolb suggested the following amendments to the minutes of August 4, 2003:

- Express statement that the \$10.00 room rebate comes directly to the CCBA from the Hyatt
- Confirmation that the Board budgeted the sum of \$15,750.00 to be used as the rental rate at The Midwest Conference Center

Motion made by Kolb to accept the minutes of August 4, 2003, as amended. Seconded by Ward. The motion carried.

TREASURER'S/FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT - Presented by Katz

- Labor Day, 2003 sectional was profitable: a profit of \$703 was budgeted and the actual profit was \$4,200
- May STAC was also profitable: up from 700 tables budgeted to 817 tables actual
- Current annual loss of \$32,600 might be reduced to \$10,000 if results from Central States are good (Katz original anticipated a \$13,000 loss)
- Approximately \$120,000 total current assets
- 2004 budget currently being worked on
- Some discussion regarding free plays at tournaments and where they may be used

OLD BUSINESS

Club Director's Breakfast (Schuett)

- Will be held at Holiday Inn in Rosemont in Spring, 2004, with exact date and time to be determined
- Working on event but needs budgeted amount to continue planning
- Report to be continued at December Board meeting

NEW BUSINESS

Nominating Committee (Wiebe)

- Members are: Wiebe (chair), Schuett, Ward, Jim Burt, Adrienne Cohen, Don Addis and Gene Miley
- Committee recommends the following candidates to be slated for the five open Board slots: Chadwell, Goldstein, Clark, Wadhwa and Susan Fox

Motion made by Buckman to slate Chadwell, Goldstein, Clark, Wadhwa and Susan Fox each to a 3-year term on the CCBA Board of Directors. Seconded by Hathaway. The motion carried.

Executive Committee Posts for 2004 (Chadwell)

- New officers will be slated at December Board meeting and officially elected by new Board at January, 2004 Winterfest Board meeting
- The following Board members stated their intentions to run for positions for 2004: Wiebe (President); Goldstein (Vice President); Katz (Treasurer); and Chadwell (Secretary)

Prize Money Bridge Tour (Chadwell)

- Chadwell will confirm amendment to the current unit contract to provide for a total of three events instead of an annual event for three successive years
- Larry King would like to piggy-back the money bridge events onto our events and would like us to participate in the Tournament of Champions

Motion made by Buckman to fulfill prize money bridge obligation as is currently documented. Seconded by Clark. The motion carried.

Harmon Wilkes Award (Chadwell)

- Currently one nomination made by two current Board members
- Sucher will write an article to be handed out at tournaments and posted on web site explaining nature of award
- Addis will get Sucher copy of prior article on award; Sucher will also review handbook
- Nominees will be discussed at December Board meeting

ACBL Tournament Fees for 2004 (Chadwell)

- For informational purposes: raises in fees established by ACBL and distributed by Richard Beye, ACBL Chief Tournament Director

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN'S REPORTS

Tournament Oversight (Addis)

- Results of one 299er event at Summerfest, 2003 have been lost; Addis is working on resolution
- Tournament committee met and decided to move Summerfest, 2004 to a new location and not to return to Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont (*see Site Committee report below*)

- 2006 summer regional will be rescheduled for March, 2006, to be held in Lake Geneva due to occurrence of 2006 Chicago summer nationals

Motion made by Addis to approve scheduling of Lake Geneva regional in March, 2006. Seconded by Sharp. The motion carried.

- 2004 ABA tournament will be held on June 5 - 6, 2004
- Schuett passed out free plays to Board members for Central States, 2003 regional in accordance with established free-play policy

Site (Kolb)

- Summerfest, 2004 to be held at the Holiday Inn in Rosemont on June 28 - July 4, 2004
 - ✓ 230 required room nights
 - ✓ \$5,400 space rental for the entire week
 - ✓ 8,000 square feet playing site increased to 15,000 square feet for Wed. – Sun. events
 - ✓ Parking = \$7.00 with no in-and-out privileges
 - ✓ \$95.00 plus tax cost for guest rooms
 - ✓ \$7.00/room night rebate to CCBA
 - ✓ Café adjacent to playing area open until 10 PM
 - ✓ Consider parking subsidy and whether CCBA should sign contracts for future events

Parking cost is a big concern – Kolb will investigate possible rebates and other solutions

- Labor Day sectional in Skokie – Discussions for 2004 regarding parking and other problem areas; Kolb and Hathaway to work out changes directly with site

Hospitality (Hathaway)

- Central States hospitality will include candy at desk, coffee for morning games; parties on Friday evening (ice cream), and Saturday evening (beer, sandwiches, snacks); speakers program, novice dinner; gifts for all attending: pocket calendars and tote bags promoting Chicago nationals
- Complimentary valet service for parking at Central States
- Flexibility to obtain more fruit and other items if attendance is high at Central States

Scheduling (Sharp)

- Committee meeting to be scheduled before Thanksgiving

Communications (Chadwell)

- Kibitzer – Linda Hargnett has resigned as editor; October/November issue to be mailed immediately
- Committee will work on finding a replacement editor
- Don Addis will remain as production editor

- Possibility of postcards in lieu of January, 2004 issue

Juniors/Education (Schuett)

- Policy established that high school bridge teachers shall receive no compensation from CCBA
- TAP program scheduled for October 24 - 25, 2003 in Lake Geneva

Newcomers (Clark)

- October, 2003 299er event was successful with \$1,800 profit
- Garner spoke to 299ers
- Clark demonstrated need for CCBA owning a printer for digital photographs by showing images from recent 299er event

Motion made by Sucher for Unit to purchase a digital camera printer not exceeding approximately \$200.00 to be used for photographs at tournaments and other events. Seconded by Kolb. The motion carried.

Membership (P. Chiszar)

- Unit bidding boxes are missing cards; need to spend money to fix them - cost to be determined

Motion made by Sucher to replace missing cards in bidding boxes, as needed, in an amount not to exceed \$2,000.00 as determined by the executive committee. Seconded by Goldstein. The motion carried.

Sponsorship (Kolb)

- No report

OTHER BUSINESS

Katz reminded Board members to turn in receipts

Katz initiated discussion for purchasing a new dealing machine for barometer and other events and sharing the costs with the District; Unit treasurer Katz and District treasurer Ellen Wiebe will make necessary decisions with respect to machine

Motion made by Katz to authorize the purchase of a new dealing machine in an amount not to exceed \$4,500, which cost shall be split with the District on a 60/40 (unit/district) basis. Seconded by Addis. The motion carried.

Finally, the Board would like to thank Harriette Buckman for her many years of service on the Board and remind her that her input is and will always be greatly appreciated.

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

The next meeting will be held on Monday, December 8, at 7:00 PM, at Angie Clark's house.

Respectfully submitted,

John Goldstein

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Secretary, CCBA
Unit 123

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS

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