Unit 549 San Diego North County Inland Board Meeting Minutes – Aug 26, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 10:00am by Unit Vice-President Jill Roberts. Directors in attendance: Liz Nixon, John Coulombe, Dorothea Williams, Sheila Latus, Trish Frinell, Peter Hapka, and Ken Matson. Not in attendance: Art Foeste, and Hazel Turner

July Meeting Minutes, having been reviewed, revised, and finalized electronically through email were accepted without further changes.

1) <u>A motion was made</u> (Peter), seconded (Trish) to approve the July minutes as presented today. Passed (7-0)

Treasurer's Report was read and explained by Ken

- 1) Ken noted that the two line items for check #1675 are a clarification of a lump sum payment Ken made to Liz.
- 2) Ken also noted that he has heard very nice comments about our game lunches, which are really appreciated and help to rate our Unit games very high with our members.
- 3) With no further input from Unit 531 on reconciliation of expenses for the NLM game, Ken believes the issue is finalized.

4) <u>A motion was made</u> (Peter), seconded (Dorothea) to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Passed (8-0)

Old Business:

- Unit \$500 grant to the clubs A nice Thank You card was received from The Bridge Club of North County. They stated that they used our grant to purchase a Session clock to time their games and are already seeing their games running more smoothly.
- 2) A discussion regarding future NLM games resulted in two decisions:
 - a. The Unit will sponsor only one NLM event per year.
 - b. We will no longer do combined NLM games with other Units. A rather complicated set of circumstances with the San Marcos Resort requires that Liz as the host/sponsor of our room rental be responsible for all eventualities arising from our use of the facility, and that she be present during our activities. Liz is no longer willing to accept this responsibility for other Units, hence the cancelling of joint games.
- 3) <u>A motion was made</u> (John), seconded (Trish) to Limit NLM Games to one per year and not participate in combined Units games while using the San Marcos Resort rooms. Passed (8-0)

New Business:

1) Discussion on whether the Unit will continue to pay the table fees and provide beverages for the Lungevity game in October '17.

<u>A motion was made</u> (Ken), seconded (Liz) to continue this traditional contribution. Passed (8-0)

- 2) Discussion regarding the annual election of Board members to fill any vacancies occurring at the end of the current term. A question was raised regarding what position numbers are cycling in or out. There was no ready information available today.
 - a. There needs to be a Nominating Committee formed (3 persons a majority of which are not Board members) and the appropriate publicity on the website and in our newsletter undertaken.
 - b. The Nominating committee is to present the names of nominations and ask for any further volunteers at the October Unit game.
 - c. Elections take place at the November Unit Game.
- 3) Discussion regarding the replacement of Audrey Grant's Presentation. We discussed a possible Bridge Teacher's Forum Day as a Plan B to the continuing process of getting Eddie Kantar to come for a Presentation Day. Liz will again try to nail down a commitment from Eddie. In the meantime, we will begin to investigate the particulars about the Plan B option. Some names in the potential array were Paul Darin, Maritha Pottenger, Jean Holt, and a few others. The agenda was not undertaken at this time.
- 4) Short discussion about the Unit game date for December. Possible options are Saturday, the 9th or Sunday the 10th. Also possible, if one of those dates cannot be fixed, is Saturday, the 30th. Liz will try first for the earlier dates. There are several other events taking place throughout the month plus the Christmas Holidays, so we don't want to create conflicts.
- 5) We entertained both David Lodge and Ken Monzingo for approximately 15 minutes each to present their "campaign" points for the upcoming ACBL Board Representative from District 22 election. Both made good use of the time allowed and this gave all Unit Board members a chance to hear directly from each candidate their concerns and qualifications.

A motion was made (Sheila), seconded (Pete) to adjourn at 11:00 AM. Passed (7-0)

Next meeting scheduled for Sept 17th, 2017 at the Pavillion at Lake San Marcos.

Respectfully submitted, Dorothea Williams, Unit 549 Acting Secretary