

**ROCHESTER AREA BRIDGE ASSOCIATION (RABA)
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
TEMPLE B'RITH KODESH, ROCHESTER, NY
MONDAY, AUGUST 27, 2012**

Present: Charles Adrion, Paul Cherin, Mary Lou Lawson, Warren Marsland, Susan McCartney, Sue Powell, Lois Sanders, Sandy Stockton, Kathy Toole, Coby Valensa and John Volpel .

Absent: Marshall Atwell. Guests: Phil Clark and Ed Reppert.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by John Volpel, President. The following items were discussed.

John welcomed Coby Valensa to the Board.

Change to June 18 minutes: Warren said the cost for replacement cards is around \$225.00 plus freight for a total of \$275.00. Lois made a motion we approve the minutes as amended; Paul seconded it. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report: Paul questioned the amount for duplimate operator expense – Mary Lou indicated that whatever is due to be paid out is not always due every month. Kathy made a motion we accept the Treasurer's Report; Susan seconded it. Motion approved.

RABA Events:

Pro AM – scheduled August 28 - there are 32 tables. Cheryl and Duncan are directing. No one got a sanction for the game. Unit has to approve sanctions. Bruce is trying to get the sanction that we need. In the future, need to inform people who run events that a sanction is needed. Cindy is printing up the hand records at a cost of 55 cents each. Extra table fee is being charged to RABA from Cheryl. We will probably make about \$1.00 a person. There are three times as many amateurs as pros. Mary Lou indicated that some pros would only play if they could pick the amateur.

Charity Event – Scheduled for September 23 and will benefit Honor Flight. Flyers are done. We need to get the tables there – can be dropped off on Sunday. Bruce is directing. Fees for the game will be collected in advance. Veterans are free except they need to pay for lunch. Lois will keep a list of food being donated. We will need rolls, soda and condiments. A suggestion was made that Ricky should be rewarded for doing the cooking – it was decided to give him a free entry for the upcoming Sectional on Saturday, October 13.

Review of Summer Sectional – Paul made a motion that we reinstate the summer sectional. Mary Lou will check into having it at the Moose Club in Henrietta. The ACBL website, however, does not show a date for this event so they have to be informed of the date. Pending a suitable date, the Board agreed to reinstate the summer sectional. Motion was approved.

Fall Sectional – October 13 & 14 – Will be held at the VFW in Fairport. Paul and Susan are co-chairmen. Paul will pick up the unit bidding boxes. Doug will do the boards. Bernie is directing and said he can handle bridge pads. Susan is asking Board members and other players to bring vegetables and cookies. On Sunday, October 14, pizza and pop will be available for purchase. Pizza will be purchased from TK's in Fairport.

Directory of Members – sales are continuing.

Regional Status – Still waiting for the District person to come and inspect the site.

RABA Annual Meeting – Will be held before the sectional in October. At that time a Treasurer's Report will be given and the new Board members who were elected will be announced. Charlie indicated the following individuals have agreed to run: Marshall Atwell,

Paul Cherin, Phil Clark, Jan Egger, Kathy Landon, and Kathy Toole. In order to vote, a player must have an ACBL number. Ballots will be available at the games.

Audit Committee: Lois and Sandy will review the report before the October 13 meeting.

Report of Unit Meeting: Lois indicated the Fed Ex expense for returning bidding boxes was reimbursed to RABA. Any procedure for moving bidding boxes, we need to contact Mike, Unit President, and he will tell us when to get the boxes. When we advertise new/plicate game and we don't have enough players, Unit will not reimburse us for table fees because the amount is too small. Unit charges when new/plicate players are put into the regular game.

Old Business: We need to choose a player for the 2012 Good Will Award. Margie Spence won it in 2011. Cindy Reid's name was brought up.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 5, 2012 at 4:00 PM.