

Minutes of Unit 231 Board Meeting
(March 30, 2016)

Attendees: Lenore and Sage Bassett, Susan and Chuck Bricken, Necia Evans (guest), Teresa Hall, Richard Huber, Tom Newland, Paul Sensmeirer, Bob Schulman, Betty and Henry Wise and Rich Rio.

Treasurer's Report: Betty Wise went over the Treasurer's Report. The two major outlays were Easy Bridge (\$1,217.60) and Holiday game (\$500.93). A brief discussion followed. District 6 agreed to fund \$825 for Easy Bridge and the ACBL is to pick up 75% of marketing costs. Rich Rio has submitted a request for \$843 from District 6. Susan Bricken will take the lead to get reimbursed from the ACBL.

Bridge Lessons—Susan Bricken reviewed the preparations for the Easy Bridge lessons.

Funding

Anticipated attendance at classes

Workshops

Supply Function Status—We just received a request from District 6 to list the equipment that Unit 231 owns. This is step 1. At the Gatlinburg Regional, the MAC supplies will be split between District 6 and 7. We may or may not see any additional supplies for our unit. Necia Evans will complete the survey.

Elections this year. Is everyone staying? Everyone has agreed to stay on the Unit 231 Board. Anyone who wishes to step down should contact the President. Elections will be held at our Holiday Party.

June Sectional—ACBL rescinded the cash requirements.

Reclassifying the Swiss Teams? There has been an ongoing concern about attendance at Sunday's Swiss Teams. The Swiss Team attendance can be the deciding factor as to whether we make money or not at our Sectional. We can make the Swiss Team event a charity game with more master points. However, there is an extra \$2 per person charge. Since our flyers have already been distributed, it was decided not to make this year's Swiss Team event a charity game and to reconsider changing the status of the game to improve attendance next year

Mini-McKenney and Ace of Clubs—Rich Rio has the Ace of Clubs certificates. Betty Wise will order Mini-McKenney medals. Both sets of awards will be distributed at our Sectional.

Any issues or actions needed? None identified yet. Hospitality will be looking for more volunteers to help.

Rich Rio gave a status report on the possibility of having The Hotel Roanoke as a Regional site in 2017. The hotel has recently completed a major renovation and is interested in being a host site. The initial room rate quoted is \$119/night. The information has been given to District 6 and will be sent to the Rotation Committee to decide if The Hotel Roanoke would be selected. Unit 231 has made no commitment of financial or labor support.

Submitted by Rich Rio

