

Minutes of Unit 231 Board Meeting
(May 4, 2018)

Attendees: Margaret Johnson, Bob Schulman, Paul Sensmeier, Chuck Bricken, Teresa Hall, Susan Bricken, Tom Newland, Richard Huber, Doug Althouse, Rich Rio and Sue Rosser by speaker phone.

Treasurer's Report—Total Cash on Hand is \$8,178.25. The Unit is in good financial shape due in large part to the increased number of members.

Martinsville Club—Sue Rosser provided a summary of the Martinsville activities, game details and plans for attending the Sectional.

Bluefield Club—Margaret Johnson talked about the status of the Bluefield Club, including their efforts to increase attendance through lessons and a possible site relocation.

Roanoke Club—Doug Althouse provided information on the increased attendance in Roanoke due mainly to the lessons held this year.

Blacksburg Sectional

- Hospitality—Teresa Hall discussed plans for hospitality. Margaret Johnson gave Teresa \$105 from the Bluefield Club to help support hospitality and offset their inability to organize food support. Teresa was given the go ahead to spend an additional \$100 over last year, if necessary, to make sure we have plenty of food/snacks.
- Raffle—We agreed to hold a raffle on Friday only. Susan Bricken will take the lead.
- Room setup: Doug Althouse and Rich Rio counted all the tables including the ones stored in the basement. Between the Rec Center and our Unit, we have 30 tables. We will have sufficient tables for the Sectional. We will set up for 7 tables in the Senior Room for the 0-99 game. Rich Rio will work on getting an assistant director for the 0-99 game, someone to contact the director if there is a call.
- Mini-McKenney and the Ace of Clubs Awards—All awards have arrived. Bob Schulman and Rich Rio will hand them out at lunch time on Friday of the Sectional.
- Marketing—Eblast has just been issued by ACBL marketing. In a separate email, a copy of the Eblast was sent to each board member.
- Any IT issues—Bob Schulman has worked on all updates to the website.

Bridge Lessons: Susan Bricken updated everyone on the May lessons. Attendance is excellent and a group of players really crave lessons. We will take a break for the summer; and, then start up with a new series of lessons in the fall. In the meantime, we submitted an application to hold duplicate bridge classes through the Life Long Learning Institute. This is an opportunity to get very broad exposure to both VT and the community. The decision will be made May 9th.

The Board agreed to use the anonymous donation for educational expenses for the Blacksburg Club. Submitted by Rich Rio.

