

Minutes of Unit 231 Board Meeting
(November 6, 2015)

Treasurer's Report: Total Cash on Hand is \$6,691.86. Baron Barclay reimbursed our Unit for the repair of the dealing machine. The only expenses for the last 8 months were for cards and paper & ink for a total of \$301.71. The Treasurer requested a list of current members. The President obtained the list and sent it to the Treasurer. If any other board member would like a copy of the current membership roster, please contact the President.

Members resigning from the Board: Carol Hubbard (Hospitality) and Ann Seaver (Secretary)
Proposed new board members: Tom Newland and Teresa Hall (Hospitality), Susan Bricken (Membership and Partnership) and Chuck Bricken (Secretary). The vote to include the new members on the board was unanimous. Welcome Susan, Chuck, Teresa and Tom!

Moving Supply Function from the District to the Unit (we need an inventory)--The MACB has been restructured to be a marketing tool for District 6 (our district) and District 7. All the responsibility for finances and running tournaments now resides with the districts. Our District has decided to delegate the responsibility for tournament supplies to each unit. We will obtain supplies that were originally stored with the MACB. A District 6 committee will be formed to determine what supplies will be given to the units. In turn, our unit will no longer be charged a per table supply fee or a schleppage fee. Last year's supply and schleppage fee for our sectional was \$132.30. The Unit President volunteered to be on that committee and received verification from the District.

Holiday Party Coordination and Supplies—All agreed to support Teresa and Tom in their efforts to run the Holiday Party. The Director agreed to purchase additional supplies as needed. Doug Althouse will say a few words of introduction. With approximately \$150 in cash donations and very little in food volunteers, there was a discussion as to whether to cater the Holiday Party next year. The general consensus was to have the Director make the final decision with preference for the Director supplying the meat and side dishes (funded by the unit). We would ask the members to bring a dessert. The Holiday Party would still be funded by the Unit with some donations provided by the members.

The next elections are in 2016—According to our bylaws, elections for board members are held every three years. The last elections were held at our Holiday Party in 2013. So, elections for board members will be held next year at our 2017 Holiday Party.

Bridge Classes—There was a discussion on Susan Bricken's effort to organize bridge classes for people who do not know how to play bridge and for beginner bridge players. The initial plan is to use a 12 lesson teaching course called "Easy Bridge" written by Marty Rominus. The preliminary plan is to qualify 4 teachers to help run the classes and start in March. We would like to bring more people into our bridge club and help them grow as bridge players by having a regular novice game. However, the issue is that we do not want to destroy our regular game in the process. The Unit President needs a proposal/plan with funding requirements.

The Director will be out for surgery. The Director anticipates that he will be unable to run the games at the club for two periods, one for knee surgery and one for shoulder surgery. These surgeries will probably occur in the first quarter of 2016. Bev Impara will be brought in to direct the games and Teresa Hall will handle the scoring.

Submitted by Rich Rio

