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MINUTES Meeting of Unit 231 Board of Directors May 8, 2023

The Board of Directors for Unit 231 met via Zoom on Monday, May 8, 2023. Preston Collins, Unit President, called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

ROLL: Preston Collins, John Markey, Douglas Althouse, Irene Jacobs, Necia Evans, Karen Shimchock, Mike Craig, Richard Huber, and Carol Pressman. Carole Spencer attended as Acting Secretary.

- 1. Carole Spencer, Acting Secretary, verified that a quorum was present.
- 2. The Treasurer's Report was accepted and filed.
- 3. Preston announced that Sally Kizer had been appointed as the Unit's Goodwill Person.
- 4. Preston announced that he will be representing Unit 231 at the D6 Board Meeting in Richmond on May 24, 2023.
- 5. Preston announced that he wants to explore having name badges for all unit members.
- 6. Preston announced that his primary focus as unit president was to build up the clubs in our Unit. He discussed several initiatives that are already underway.

Carol Robey is hosting people in her home to generate interest in duplicate bridge.

Carol Robey is interested in having team games in people's homes with a possible playoff for the Team Championship.

All Board members are encouraged to recruit people in the Unit who are not currently playing.

Susan Bricken has some ideas for how to recruit younger players to the game of bridge.

Karen Shimchock suggested having lessons prior to face-to-face games.

7. Preston opened the floor for a discussion of holding a Local Sectional Tournament. The group discussed such issues as venue for the tournament; director(s) for the tournament; manpower needed; supplies and equipment needed; vaccination policy for players; and, other logistics/issues. Preston will investigate Hunting Hills as a possible site for the tournament. Tournament Coordinators are Douglas Althouse and Carol Robey. Hospitality Committee includes Carol Robey, Karen Shimchock, and Necia Evans.

- 8. Minutes of past meetings and electronic actions were approved and will be posted on the Unit Website. These include: December 19, 2022 Minutes; January 16, 2023 Minutes (2); January 23, 2023 Minutes; January 30, 2023 Electronic Action; and, February 27, 2023 Electronic Action.
- 9. Preston will be sending a PDF of the Proposed Unit Bylaws to the Board.
- 10. The meeting adjourned at 10:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carole Spencer Acting Secretary