

MINUTES
Meeting of Unit 231 Board of Directors
January 7, 2024

The Board of Directors for Unit 231 met via Zoom on Sunday, January 7, 2024. Preston Collins, Unit President, called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM.

ROLL: Preston Collins, John Markey, Douglas Althouse, Irene Jacobs, Carol Pressman, Carol Robey, Karen Shimchock, Richard Huber, and Carole Spencer. David Nova attended as IT consultant.

1. A Quorum of the Board was present.
2. The Treasurer's Report was accepted and filed.
3. Minutes for the October 9, 2023, meeting and the November 1, 2023, electronic action were approved and will be posted on the Unit Website.
4. The Board unanimously approved the following officers for the 2024-2025 year:

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| President | Preston Collins |
| Vice President | Carol Pressman |
| Secretary | Carole Spencer |
| Treasurer | Irene Jacobs |
| Tournament co-Chairs | Douglas Althouse and Carol Robey |

5. The President led a discussion regarding ACBL initiatives to attract more people to play bridge. Carol Robey suggested the establishment of a mentor program. Several other suggestions were made on how the Unit could attract new players and increase the membership. Funding from ACBL to the units is based on efforts to increase and retain the members.
6. The President led a discussion of the feasibility of having a Sectional Tournament in 2024. Carol Robey and Douglas Althouse are Tournament co-Chairs. Betty Youmans sent the following ACBL website regarding the setting up of a Sectional Tournament:

<http://web2.acbl.org/handbook/handbookCHAPTER7615.pdf>

Several Board members will begin work on planning for a tournament in 2024. The appointing of a Tournament Coordinator and the setting of a date and venue are of paramount importance. An anonymous donation in the amount of \$400 has been made by a member to help defray tournament expenses

7. The President led a discussion regarding the COVID-19 Vaccination Policy. Carol Robey moved that the Unit hold no further discussion regarding the matter and leave the decision to the Club owners. The motion passed.

8. The President announced that a meeting of the entire Unit membership will be held shortly.
9. The meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Carole Spencer
Unit Secretary