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**Meeting of Unit 231 Board of Directors**

The Board of Directors for Unit 231 met via Zoom on Sunday, November 17, 2024. Preston Collins, President, called the meeting to order at 2:05 PM.

**ROLL:** Preston Collins, Carol Pressman, Irene Jacobs, John Markey, Carol Robey, Karen Shimchock (via phone), and Carole Spencer, Others present: David Nova and Lewis Singer.

1. A Quorum of the Board was present.
2. Minutes for the August 26, 2024, meeting and the September 24, 2024, electronic action were approved and will be posted on the website.
3. The President will send an email to the membership announcing that the Unit will pay the registration fee for anyone wishing to take the ACBL Director's Course.
4. Irene Jacobs, Treasurer, presented a recap of the Treasurer's Report, including a detailed account of the October 25-27, 2024, Roanoke Sectional Tournament.
5. The Treasurer moved that the forty-three, two-dollar bills be deposited in the Unit banking account. The motion passed.
6. The President led the group in a discussion of the October 25-27, 2024, Roanoke Sectional Tournament. Despite losing money, the overall consensus was that the tournament was a huge success. The Tournament Committee has been charged with looking at ways to cut costs, to increase attendance, and to explore the possibility of having a Local Sectional Tournament for next year.
7. The President moved to thank the following for helping in making the tournament a success:

Players who participated

Tournament Committee

Tournament Director Cathy Hildebrand

Bridge Club of Roanoke Valley for permitting the use of its Bridgemates, tables, bidding boxes, and general supplies

Karen Jackson (Lexington Club) for the loan of twelve Bridgemates

Blacksburg Recreation Center for the loan of bidding boxes

Karen Shimchock, Lewis Singer, Barbara Johnson for overseeing the food preparations

Mary Moore and Carol Robey for decorations

John Markey for designing the tournament flyer

Carole Spencer for dealing the boards

Connie Lyons for loaning a set of boards

Douglas Althouse, Preston Collins, Kurt Guelzow and Tom Sanzone for assisting the Director

The individuals who brought food and/or contributed money toward the food

The motion passed.

8. The President will send a Pianola message to the entire Unit to thank publicly all the above.
9. The President appointed Carole Spencer to conduct an inventory of Unit assets, to include the physical location of each.

10. The President appointed Carol Pressman to head the Nominating Committee for next year's Board/Officers. The Committee will address the issue of having backups for secretary and treasurer positions.
11. The meeting adjourned at 2:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carole Spencer  
Unit Secretary