ACBL Cornhusker Unit 241 Board Meeting Minutes November 3rd, 2018

Attending: Scott McIntyre, Larry Kronick, Carol Miller, Kathy Lippold, Cookie Hoberman, Rick Ackermann, Tim McCollough, Thom Pigaga

Treasurer's report

The October Regional table count was down from previous years to 1555 tables. Bills are still coming in so the final profit/loss is not known. It will be split with Unit 182 60/40. Our share is 60%.

Regional Wrap Up.

The good news is that 400 new players were at the Regional this year even though the total attendance was down 25%. The Tournament was not attended by local players as much as in years past. 95% of participants were awarded points. 37% won more than 10 points.

Changes under consideration for 2019 include a 1:15 start time for the afternoon session, more bracketed Swiss sessions, and classes.

We are not getting all the hotel rebates we could. Next year the on-line flier will have live links to reservation sites that will identify the guest as a Regional Tournament participant.

The Mid America Center cost, including food and beverages, is about \$50,000. If tournament attendance declines, as have most ACBL Regionals around the country, we will consider other venues.

Sectional

The Winter Sectional at the JCC will be held February 14 – 17, 2019.

We are looking for a new Tournament Chair. Rick has been the Chair over the last couple of years in addition to serving as Unit Treasurer.

Elections

Pierre Flatowicz and Jill McDermott have been nominated to the Board replacing Larry Kronick and Ray Pape. The were elected by acclamation by the current board members.

The make up of the new 2019 Board will be posted at the clubs.

Education Foundation

The Unit Board will no longer be approving Education Foundation expenditures and programs. This responsibility lies solely with the Foundation Board. The Unit Board and any Unit Member for that matter, may submit suggestions and proposals to the Foundation Board.

Other Business

A meeting for advancing players and mentors will be held on December 15. Details to follow.

The next Board Meeting will be January 19, 2019. Exact time and location to be announced.