Minutes of Unit 241 Board Meeting January 4, 2024

All Board Members were present: Scott McIntyre, Justin Graver, Andrew Clements, Jane Slezak, Jonathan Cohn, Dawnette Kahnk, and Bill Treadway

Minutes from the last board meeting, November 2, 2023, were approved as written.

New officers for 2024 were approved:

Scott McIntyre, President
Justin Graver, Vice President, Webmaster, & Tournament Coordinator
Andrew Clements, Treasurer
Jane Slezak, Secretary
Jonathan Cohn, Tournament Coordinator
Dawnette Kahnk, Publicity & Partnership Coordinator, Membership Chair
Bill Treadway

We briefly discussed the In and Out (membership) report. The ACBL report of new ranks achieved by members will be distributed to clubs.

Bill presented that the Council Bluffs club successfully hosted tournaments in 2023. He had questions regarding scheduling and sanctioning of future tournaments, and Jonathan supplied the information and assistance needed.

Jonathan discussed the possibility of renting equipment from the ACBL for the 2024 Sectional. Donna Lomberghini will be consulted.

Bylaw changes presented at the last meeting were approved.

Scott presented specifics of National's 5/5/5 plan. It continues to be important for our unit to recruit and retain members.

The Board recognized and appreciates that Caring Committee volunteer Thelma Cole sent out 25 cards in support of club members in 2024.

We discussed the 2024 Regional tournament. The Bridge Bulletin will publish information in the upcoming March issue. We believe that identifying a club member with Marketing expertise could help boost tournament participation. Additional

issues discussed included the distribution of flyers to other clubs, the possibility of bringing in food trucks, and speakers. We are seeking information and costs from Peter Wilke regarding equipment sharing.

Andrew presented the Treasurer's report: Annual net operating income was \$2500, and year end assets (checking and money market) totaled \$26,385.

We discussed resurrecting a mentoring program. Dawnette volunteered to draft up a plan.

We also discussed getting ACBL funding for Educational Programs. In 2023, this fund paid the entry fee for any new player's first tournament event. We found that most did not return for additional events. For 2024, we will consider getting ACBL funding to cover a new participant's second event instead.

Our next meeting will be March 7, 5 PM at kwElite, 17838 Burke St, Ste 102.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Slezak, Secretary