Minutes of the June 21st board meeting of ACBL Unit 241

The meeting was called to order by the President, Claire Flatowicz

Present were Claire, Barb O'Mallely, Ted Hoff, Jill McDermott, Jonathan Cohn, Justin Graver, Scott McIntyre, Cookie Hoberman, Deana Liddy and Stephanie Holcomb

The minutes were approved as written.

Claire gave the treasurers report. The balance is \$35,083.53. This includes a CD for \$15,702.51 and a MM for \$3580.53.

Ted Hoff agreed to stay on the board until the end of the term.

## **New Business**

Jill McDermott gave the financial report for the I/N Sectional Regional. There is a positive figure of \$414.93. We paid Trudy \$50 for a lesson. (This was corrected to read the EGC paid for the lesson) The lunches were \$2558 which included tax and tip and were paid for by the Educational Grant Committee.

Jonathan Cohn and Justin Graver will chair the Sectional in October. Date TBD either the weekend of 10/8 or 10/15. We decided not to include a Thursday evening game due to financial concerns. Discussed an 8 is Enough game. There will be a Swiss Team game on Sunday. Suggested a Team Strategy lesson before the game on Sunday. Cookie suggested to hold the Annual Meeting after the first Saturday session.

Bridge Whiz- Ted Hoff will chair a meeting later in the summer. Ted, Diane Zipay, Barb O'Malley, Stephanie Holcomb and Cookie Hoberman have agreed to participate. Ted and Rod Anderson will work with the Boys and Girls Clubs in Omaha and Council Bluffs.

Longest Day-this will be held one time (game) at each club in June and will offer upgraded points.

Membership Directory - Claire has completed it and it is at the printers. Terry Peterson has donated \$250 towards the cost which is \$267. Claire will send a PDF to Thom Pigaga and he will email it to all the members.

Awards Party - Jonathan Cohn said he would chair this in the Spring

Membership Building Event - offer 6 months free ACBL membership, ask Trudy to run it on a Friday AM with older members to help, consider supplying snacks, possibly do a Wednesday night event also.

Report from Deana Liddy our ACBL District Director - Vaccination requirement is still in effect for tournaments, the ACBL membership has dropped to

140,000 from 165,000. The strategic planning committee is leaving it up to management of the clubs to increase the number.

Jonathan suggested we use local talent as our director for the Sectional. By doing this, 20% less master points can be awarded. Deana will bring it up.

Jonathan and Justin have applied for an ACBL sanction to hold an open game on the 3rd Friday of the month at 108th and Giles brewery called Kros-Strain Brewing Company.

Meeting adjourned, Stephanie Holcomb, Secretary