

ACBL Unit 539 Board Meeting
August 20th, 2023

Present: Greg Chaffee, Bridget Poizner, Lamy Agelidis, John Boackle, Kathy Byrne, Sam Madison, Robin Rodger **Absent:** Wayne Sottosanti, Marjorie O'Malley, Jane Petering

The meeting was called to order at 10:20 A.M.

- **Minutes of July 30th, 2023 Board Meeting.**
 - Motion to approve was put to vote. Minutes approved.
- **Summer Sectional Results and Feedback**
 - The Joint Sectional with La Jolla was well attended, and we received positive feedback.
 - The Board reviewed the financial results that showed around \$1,000 profit to be shared equally with La Jolla.
 - We need to add the limited game on the second day.
 - The Board agreed the following:
 - Next year Sectionals will be held at Soledad.
 - We will ask La Jolla if they want to share these two events with us as we did this year.
 - Next Year Sectional dates will be March 1st/2nd and August 2nd/3rd. We will request to have exclusive use of the Soledad Club as a venue for those days.
- **Non-LM Sectional**
 - It was agreed that we will:
 - Hold a one-day non-LM sectional on Oct 19th, 2024
 - We will request to have Soledad club as a venue.
- **ACBL bi-annual Sanction Fee % Refund**
 - The ACBL gives each Unit around \$1,200 every 6 months (Jan and Jun). These funds are supposed to be used for promoting Bridge through education and other similar initiatives.
 - Unit 539 has been providing the following:
 - Free lessons to players prior to our Unit Games
 - Teaching Bridge to beginners. Most recently, running a Beginners Bridge Course at North University Community Library.
 - Continuous reach-out program to bring more beginners into the game and the ACBL.

- **Location**
 - We are working with a Commercial Estate Agents who has already identified potential locations. Follow up next week for new locations he identified.
 - Sam has sent the Business Plan and the Financials to the Board.

- **Next Board Meeting TENTATIVE date: October 1 at 10:00am.**

Respectfully submitted: Sam Madison - Secretary