

Unit 201 Board Meeting  
Monday February 9, 2015

President Carolyn Worsham called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. with board members present: Carolyn Worsham, Linda Briggs, E.W. Sweeney, Paul Aguillard, Dolores Belton, Liz Mackenzie, Arline Meyers, John Smalley, and Nixie Lynch. Sandra Allison also attended. Those not in attendance were: Patsy Pierce, Dave Becker, Kris Cherry and Martha Oliver. The minutes from the December meeting were approved. John Smalley gave the financial reports for December 2104, January 2015 and the year of 2014. They will be filed for audit. Carolyn reported that the Orange club has moved to the Fellowship Church of Christ in Orange. She also reported on membership: the Lufkin club does not have enough tables, but is looking for commitment from players. They are planning to play at the home of Karen Jennings, director. Our Beaumont club has lost several players recently and only increased our membership with Mary Johnson moving her membership here. Carolyn attended the District meeting and ACBL has issued a directive that if anyone does not want their name placed in the directory, they can opt out of the Directory by filling out a Privacy Notice.

In old business: Dolores and Liz reported on the Spindletop Sectional. Mary Jane Garth will be donating the food and desserts for the Sunday game in honor of Martha Bookman. Carolyn reported there will be 11 opportunities to play for gold points. The schedule will be out very soon.

New business: The Longest Day is usually on June 21. This year, it falls on Sunday. ACBL will allow clubs to observe it on Sunday or Monday. The board voted to observe the Longest Day on Monday, June 22. The board received several suggestions for our \$524 refund from ACBL for our choice of charity.

The board voted to present the refund to the Hospitality Center in Port Arthur that serves a daily meal 365 days a year to anyone who enters their doors. There was a lot of discussion about the lighting problem in the parking lot. The lights on the building will be fixed. Replacing the awning was tabled to get bids on possibly expanding the size. The sign on the front of the building will have the red color repaired.

There was discussion on borrowing items from the studio and it was decided that your request is to be made to John or Carolyn. Purchasing a timer was brought back to the board again. E.W. will investigate the purchase price and bring it back to the next meeting. ACBL is instituting an online partnership desk. Carolyn and Linda will try it out and report back to the membership. ACBL encourages fragrance-free play at clubs and tournaments. This board reminds all players to respect your fellow players by avoiding strong fragrances, practicing personal hygiene, and drinking alcohol responsibly. The board discussed hosting Life Master parties for players who are not members of U201 and recommended that no parties be considered for non-members.

Announcements: Carolyn read a letter from Mary Jane Garth thanking us for the Lone Star Award from U210 that was presented at the Lone Star Regional. She also reported the Good Will Awards are here and will be presented at the yearly meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, E.W. Sweeney, Vice President