Minutes of Unit 201 Board Meeting, Wednesday, October 28, 2020

This meeting was held virtually via zoom.

Called to Order by President E. W. Sweeny at 10 a.m.

Attendees: Linda Briggs, Judy Dishman, Ruth Hancock, Kay Hooper, Cleo Martin, John Smalley, Val Townley-Smith, E.W. Sweeny

Review and acceptance of Minutes of August, 2020 minutes

Reports

Financials: John

Money from on-line membership play is basically enough to cover utilities. Report accepted.

Orange: Kris or Martha – not present. Rayburn: Marianna – not present

Membership: E.W. (see below)

Membership by Masterpoints in December 2019 (169 total)

0-100	100-200	200-300	Adv/life	Bronze	Silver	Ruby	Gold	Sapphire	Diamond	Platinum	Grand	
64	20	11	4	19	12	18	5	3	4	1	1	

Old Business:

No charity donation is being considered at this time due to cancellation of all charity games.

As there are no face to face games, it was decided not to continue board meetings at this time. games. Via email, John will present the financial report to board members for corrections or additions.

It was noted that Ed Rasmussen's email has changed. New address is erasmussne784@gmail.com

New Business:

District 16 Meeting Report (Carolyn Worsham attended for E.W.)

- 1. Growth and retention are the biggest challenges currently.
- 2. District 16 is trying to recruit online teachers.
- 3. ACBL has cancelled January and February tournaments, with cancellation through April likely.
- 4. ACBL membership decreased 7% annually between June and September.
 - a. If this rate continues it will be down to 150,000 by July 2021.
 - b. 1/3 of ACBL's budget comes from membership dues.
 - c. A Retention and Education Updates is forthcoming from ACBL Membership and Education Updates.
- 5. Paul Cuneo asked for nominations for the National Charity and Goodwill Awards. Nadine Pierce was nominated, noting the incredible job she does each month for the 299's newsletter.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Flo Ferguson, Secretary