

**Minutes of the Unit 194 Board Meeting
in Coldbrook, Saturday September 29th, 2007**

Present: Kathie Macnab, Bill Halliday, Karl Hicks, Edgar Blinn, Martin Pink, Hilary Hayden, Doug Hamilton, Boyd Wells, Jo Ann Lynds, Dan Landry, John Tolson, Kerry Hicks

Absent: Susan Hublely

- 1) Meeting called to order 11:00.
- 2) Minutes of May 26th meeting in Bridgewater were circulated and moved as such by Martin Pink 2nd by Doug Hamilton - PASSED
- 3) Saint John, NB is considering holding a bi-annual sectional tournament and suggested that Saint John and Yarmouth alternate tournaments. Yarmouth representative stated that it is not their intention to hold a tournament every other year. The board did not note any conflicts with Saint John holding a bi-annual sectional.
- 4) Bill Halliday presented the financial reports. Moved as circulated by Bill Halliday, 2nd by Boyd Wells - PASSED.
- 5) A CanAt update was presented by Doug Hamilton, everything is on schedule and the CanAt Regional tournament is booked until July 2110.
- 6) Sectional Tournaments at Clubs – discussion ensued with complications of holding STaCs. The ACBL has difficulty with costs of STaCs because some directors (in other Units/Districts) have requested too much overtime. The new ACBL policy is that only their salaried staff may direct STaCs. This has a direct effect on our Unit 194/230 STaC as Karl Hicks does not meet the criteria to run our STaC. Our director will be Henry Cukoff. Mr. Cukoff will be looking for assistance in running our STaC. The board agreed that the tournament co-ordinator should be responsible to co-ordinate this with Mr. Cukoff.
- 7) After much discussion, Boyd Wells has agreed to take over Edgar Blinn's tasks as Unit 194 Tournament Coordinator. A round of thanks was given to Edgar for his job over the last few years.

MOTION: Boyd Wells will take over the duties of the Unit 194 Unit Coordinator effective 29th Sep. 2007. Moved by Hilary Hayden, 2nd by Doug Hamilton - PASSED

- 8) Table transport and storage: Ron Duplisea, who presently transports the Unit 194 tables to the playing sites, presented reason for an increase in stipend for this task. The Board of Directors agreed to increase this stipend. In addition Ron Duplisea will also be in charge of replenishing all tournament supplies.

MOTION: To increase Ron Duplisea's stipend from \$300.00 plus tolls to \$400.00 plus tolls effective January 1, 2008 for transporting tables and supplies to all Unit 194 tournaments with the exception of the Yarmouth Sectional, due to the remoteness of the tournament and extra costs Ron Duplisea will be entitled to \$600.00. This job includes the supervision of tournament supplies – replenishing any items that need to be purchased and ensuring the supplies will be on hand at each Unit 194 tournament.

- 9) Karl Hicks suggested that we raise the price of the Midnight Knockouts from \$2.50 per player per round to \$3.00 per player per round. This raise in price will be on the notice board to be presented to the General membership at the Annual General Meeting, November 2007.

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- 10) In the hopes to get the more participation at this year's CNTC the Unit board has requested that they encourage the clubs in their areas to hold and promote club qualifying games for: CNTC, COPC and the CWTC. All of which will be held at the Canadian National Finals in Montreal at the end of May 2008.
- 11) The Bridgewater tournament has been changed to the first weekend in June so as NOT to conflict with CANADA BRIDGE WEEK.
- 12) Next Unit 194 board meeting is Halifax 10th Nov. 2007, at 10:30 am with the Annual General Meeting following at 11:00.
- 13) Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bill Halliday, Unit 194 Secretary Treasurer