

**Minutes of the Unit 194 Board Meeting  
Held Saturday, February 8, 2003 (Halifax)**

Present:

Martin Pink, Boyd Wells, Kathie Macnab, Bill Halliday, Barb Rees, Edgar Blinn, Bruce Renner, Suzanne Edwards, Hugh Shankel and Dan Landry.

Old Business:

1. The Minutes of the September 2002 and the Nov'2002 Annual General Meeting were circulated with the September 2002 minutes being approved for adoption. Moved by B Wells, Seconded by B. Rees.

2. Barbara Rees gave a report on the "Bridge Ambassadors" reception and the success of the networking. Kathie Macnab moved the following:

**That Unit 194 make available to clubs the ACBL books entitled "Adventures in Duplicate" as a promotional tool for possible new members. Clubs, in Unit 194, at the cost of \$1.00, may purchase these books and that Unit 194 will cover the remaining cost (currently \$2.00 US + shipping). Club managers and teachers may request these books from the Education Liaison to use them in ACBL/Unit promotional packages.** Seconded by Barb Rees, carried.

3. The remaining items of action from B. Rees' report were discussed with the following motion for action:

**Barb Rees moved that the following items would be supported in principle by the Unit board on an item-by-item basis:**

- **The Unit stock and maintain a 'teacher's library' with current teaching materials for use/borrowing by any teacher who belongs to Unit 194. An opportunity to look at these items will be at the Annual Teachers Dinner.**
- **The Unit organize and launch the first 'NS Teacher's Association' meeting. It is suggested that the best time and place is at the Bridgewater tournament. The first being June 2003. This would become an annual dinner event with speakers and allowing a great opportunity for teachers to network. The Unit would supply the space, the speaker and possibly subsidize the dinner.**
- **The Unit offers, to any teacher who brings six (6) of their students to an I/N tournament game, \$5.00 off a tournament game entry.**

- **The Unit gives a 'certificate' and gift to the first teacher in our Unit who becomes a 'Five Star' teacher. The ACBL currently gives "the Official Encyclopedia of Bridge".**
- **The Unit could 'officially' recognize the achievement of local players as they progress along the masterpoints ladder. ACBL sends this info monthly to the Unit 'Membership Chair'. Seconded by Boyd Wells, carried.**

**Action Item:** Board members were asked to review the I/N report and make any comments or suggestions at the next meeting.

4. Edgar Blinn asked all tournament chairmen and local board representatives to check on dates for sectional tournaments (2004 +) as the ACBL has requested updated information. Please have this done by next meeting.
5. Bill Halliday informed the board that there could be a problem with HST during our CanAt years. He and Gerry Callaghan are looking into ways of rectifying this problem and will report at the April Board meeting.
6. **Bruce Renner moved that a copy of the Annual Unit Financial statements be published in the Maritime Bridgeline once a year.** Seconded by Bill Halliday, motion carried.

#### New Business

1. B. Rees read her letter to the Board of Directors stating her intentions to submit her name for the Canadian Bridge Federation Zone representative in November 2003.

*Respectfully submitted*

*Bill Halliday*

#### Next Meeting:

Next Unit 194 board meeting will be the 5<sup>th</sup> of April 2003 at the Truro sectional.