

MINUTES of Andy Risman meeting of Unit 166 Board of Directors held on Sunday January 14, 2024 at 9am via Video Conference

Present: Andy Risman
 Denise Donovan Darlene Scott
 David Ellis Sheila Xu
 Charles Bond Michael (Li Zhang) Yang
 Michael Kammermayer Debra Kestenberg (Secretary)
 David McCrady Gary Westfall (Accountant)

Regrets: Douglas Jordan

Andy Risman assumed the Chair.

Minutes – August 27, 2023

Motion by Andy Risman, seconded by Charles Bond *that the Minutes of the August 27, 2023 meeting of Unit 166 Board of Directors be approved.* **Carried**

Unit 166 Elections

Charles Bond, David Ellis, Douglas Jordan, Andy Risman, and Sheila Xu agreed to continue on the Unit 166 Board. Potential other nominations will be solicited in the upcoming Kibitzer. In the event more nominations than available positions develop elections will be held at the Easter Regional.

Nomination of D2 Representatives

Darlene Scott, David McCrady, Michael Yang, and Denise Donovan agreed to continue in this role.

Treasurer’s Report

The Report to December 31, 2023, circulated by Andy Risman, was presented and discussed.

Motion by David McCrady, seconded by Charles Bond *that the Treasurer’s Report to December 31, 2023 be accepted as presented.* **Carried.**

Review Engagement Report

The year end statements were presented by Gary Westfall.

Motion by Darlene Scott, seconded by Sheila Xu, ***BE IT RESOLVED THAT*** *the Statement of Financial Position of the Corporation as at August 31, 2023 and the Statements of Income and Expenses and Net Assets and Cash Flows for the year ended on the said date, together with the accountant’s Review Engagement Report thereon be and the same are hereby approved and adopted.* **Carried**

Remuneration for Accountant

Motion by Andy Risman, seconded by Darlene Scott *that Gary Westfall be paid \$1,700 via eTransfer for his year-end review.* **Carried**

Association Financial Reports

The CVBA report for the year ending August 31, 2023 was presented by Denise Donovan.

The COBA report for the year ending August 31, 2023 was presented by Michael Kammermayer.

Tournament Contract Updates

Darlene Scott updated on tournament venues. There can be significant financial savings with simultaneous commitments for both 2027 and 2028. A 10,000 square foot venue is still needed for the November 5-10, 2024 tournament.

Motion by David McCrady, seconded by Charles Bond *that Darlene Scott be authorized to negotiate contracts for 2027 and 2028 tournaments. Carried*

Tournament Budget

The budget for the Toronto 2024 Easter Regional was presented.

Motion by Denise Donovan, seconded by David Ellis *that the Budget for the 2024 Easter Regional be accepted, as presented. Carried*

Tournament Reports

The reports for the 2023 Toronto Labour Day and Brampton Sectionals and the D2 Royal Winter STaC were presented.

Motion by Darlene Scott, seconded by Mike Kammermayer *that the Reports for the 2023 Toronto Labour Day and Brampton Sectionals and the D2 Royal Winter STaC be accepted, as presented. Carried*

Honorarium

Motion by Andy Risman, seconded by Charles Bond *to pay Glenna Richardson an honorarium in the amount of \$2,500 for chairing the 2023 Labour Day tournament. Carried*

2024 NABC Chair Update

Darlene provided an update on discussions with ACBL on tournament entry fees, payment methods, and promotional and fundraising benefits from attendance at U.S. NABC events

A consensus on attendance by Darlene Scott for 6 nights at the Louisville NABC was agreed upon, with travel, hotel, and per diem to be funded by the Unit.

2024 NABC Chair Contract

The proposed Contract was discussed. Andy Risman will submit an amended Contract for approval by Darlene Scott.

The schedule was acknowledged.

Table Delivery and Inventory Personnel Update

The cost, personnel, and location of the storage site were discussed.

Junior Fundraiser

Andy Risman reported that he and Andy Stark, each propose contributing their \$500 award monies for a Junior Fundraiser to be held May 3, 2024, provided it doesn't conflict with other tournaments.

Education & Unit Tournament Committee Update

Deferred to the next meeting.

School & Youth Bridge

Michael Yang provided an update. He will take advantage of the Unit website and The Kibitzer to market events.

Kibitzer Update

David McCrady provided an update.

Motion by Denise Donovan, seconded by David McCrady *to approve the payment of approximately \$45 to Andy Stark for promotional business cards. Carried.*

Kate Buckman and Audrey Grant Awards

David Ellis advised the Board of members nominated for the Kate Buckman Award and the Audrey Grant Award. The Board voted and the results were accepted.

OTHER

Darlene commented that dealing machines need to be brought to tournaments. Andy Risman will communicate the message.

Next Meeting

Sunday April 7, 2024 at 9a.m. via video conference.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 11:20am.