Meeting of ACBL Unit 380, Las Cruces NM – Belton Bridge Center

May 15, 2022, at 10:40 AM – Meeting called to order by President, Marty Poel. Board members present: Cliff Denton, Bob Kimball, John Randall, Billie Edington and Marty Poel.

OLD BUSINESS:

President Marty Poel had appointed a committee to update the Operations manual. Item that Marty felt needed Board approval was the following:

1. Emergency policy to be added to the Operations manual as follows:

In case of emergencies, control of the use of the premises reverts to ACBL Unit 380 for the sole purpose of handling the emergency. An emergency is when any entity with jurisdiction over the Club establishes a protocol or regulations in response to a condition. The Club will comply with the protocol or regulation, including closing the building if necessary. Within those parameters, control of the games remains with the Directors

Discussion on this subject pertained especially to regulatory: i.e. State or CDC as examples of COVID policy. The Unit Board would defer to an Authority with jurisdiction.

John Randall made a motion to accept the addition to the Operations Manual and motion was seconded by Bob Kimball. Motion passed.

2. Status of requesting members to voluntarily let Unit know if they had received the 1st COVID Booster vaccine. This action was approved earlier this year. However, due to the medical necessity of Linda Randall needing to resign from the Board, the list was not completed as she was lead on this project.

Much discussion about this subject and whether we should be thinking about asking about the 2nd Booster.

Motion made by Billie Edington to finish list of 1st Booster and defer on any request for members to furnish date of 2nd Covid Booster. Motion seconded by Cliff Denton. Motion Passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Myrna Liner resigned as Board Member. Thank you, Myrna, for serving. Peter Goodman was asked by Marty Poel to serve on the Board. Peter Goodman accepted and we welcome him as our new Board Member.
- 2. Insurance Policy Marty had looked over our current Policy and felt there might be ways we could reduce cost. Marty suggested that we ask for a volunteer to research our Insurance Policy and make a recommendation to the Board of keeping as is or changing. No objections from rest of Board. Marty asked Bob Kimball if he would send an all member email to request a volunteer to research this topic.
- 3. Rent from Square Dance Clubs the Square Dance Club is currently paying \$50 a dance to use the building. The square dance representative notified, Norman Duttweiler, our rental coordinator that they could no longer afford the rent and would be moving to a much less suitable place. Less suitable because the floor would be concrete as opposed to the cushioned wood floor. The discussion was that the Square Dancers made significant monetary and physical work donations when our Building was renovated and became the Belton Bridge Center. They paid the full cost of the wood floor and helped with work and money on other aspects as the remodel progressed. Billie Edington made a motion that the Square Dance Clubs be allowed to use the building at NO CHARGE, Donation accepted, for the rest of 2022. Motion was seconded by Bob Kimball. Motion Passed. Billie will ask Norman to notify the Square Dance Representative.
- 4. How to Grow our Membership. Much discussion: Classes, local advertising, provide list of professional teaching books Audrey Grant or Marty Cohen etc. Decision was at this time to not initiate any formal reach out from the Board to the community.
- 5. Treasurers Report Bob Kimball presented the Treasurers Report. January Highlight, we received a kickback from ACBL for all people who remained members of ACBL and belonged to our Unit. We are still solvent but operating at a loss of about \$500 per month. Full report is available on the bulletin board close to coffee are at the Belton Bridge Center.
- 6. Should we ask the membership for donations as we did last year to keep our Club in good shape? Discussion and Billie Edington made a motion that Bob Kimball send out an all member e-mail asking for donations. Motion seconded by Cliff Denton. Motion passed.

Minutes taken by Billie Edington