

Unit 239 board meeting minutes Friday, January 3, 2020

The meeting was called to order at Jameson's at Huntley.

Members present- Marilyn Croft, Van Stone, John Pree, Lu Jenkins, Janet Kruger, Karl Anderson, Doug St. John, Rod Johnson, and Linda Jacobson.

Minutes- The minutes from the August 5th meeting were shared. John Pree moved to approve and the motion was seconded and carried.

Financials – Janet reported that expenses are paid already except for the next regional. Three tournaments were reported. There is a \$200 deposit at the Prisco Center and a \$500 deposit at Tabala. Janet needs tournament contracts for 2020 and 2021 events. Karl Anderson asked why the unit is on a cash basis instead of accrued; he has started the audit. Van Stone moved to accept the financial; seconded and carried.

2020 August sectional – There is no contract. Karl suggested cancelling which was carried. No more August tournament.

Rockford sectional – Is set for Sept. 11, 12, and 13. Janet asked about registration expense. The hospitality at the tournament was wonderful, but the attendance was low. Our area does not attract vacation bridge players; cheapos who go home.

Combining tournaments – Ideas to have combined tournaments will not work as events are combined for points purposes.

Turkey Bowl – Concerns included everybody playing and fewer free players. John Pree shared that he has to fight to get good rates; paid \$1786 rent in 2019.

Nominating Committee – John is chairman of this committee. Rod Johnson, Doug St. John, Van Stone, and Linda Jacobson are nominated. Linda to send nomination letter to managers in Feb.

Annual Meeting- Invitation will be put together at Marilyn's on Feb. 22nd.

Other Business- Our regional for 2021 will be Monday through Sunday during the third week of June.

Lu Jenkins reported that Rockford is arranging a speaker, Robert Todd. More information to follow. We need to work on speakers and getting young players.

Concern was expressed about the difficulty of choosing to change units. Van Stone has helped some people through the various steps.

Discussion was held about unrealized gain. We may want to divest some money.

Next Board Meeting – will be after the Annual Meeting on April 4th.

Submitted by Linda Jacobson, Secretary