

Unit 239 Board Meeting (via Zoom)
Tuesday, March 11, 2025

Marilyn Croft called the meeting to order at 2:06 pm.

Present: Marilyn Croft, Karl Anderson, Steve Lowe, Kyle Larson, Van Stone, Janet Krueger, Karen Miller, Greg MacCoubrey, Randy Miles and Lela Lowe.

Marilyn welcomed Randy Miles as a new board member replacing Amy Goldberg.

Minutes from the last board meeting from November 12, 2024 were shared. Karen moved and Randy seconded to be approved with no corrections.

Financials.

Janet sent information from December 31st to the accountants. We are doing a short year for this year and will be on a calendar year beginning in January.

Balance as of December 31st for our financials. Balance total between checking and savings was \$9,635.25 and we did show a net income between July and December of \$5,075.44 because of our investments. Our investment totals as of January was \$145,905.75.

The accounting program needed an investment of \$1,000. Janet shares 50% of the cost. Discussion concerned different programs that could be used. In order to get past information out of Quickbooks, we need to continue our subscription. Randy suggested we contact other Units and ACBL to see what accounting programs that they use. Janet's main concerns were the type of reports we can generate in order to separate expenses for each of our tournaments. Marilyn will give Janet contacts for the units in District 8 to see what accounting programs that they use.

Janet is also having problems with our Visa card through BMO but can use the debit card.

2025 Annual Meeting on April 5, 2025

Karl and Lela will do the table seating.

Set up will be Friday, April 4th at 6 pm by Greg, Karl, Van, Randy and Marilyn.

Karl will be buying the coffee supplies and prepare the coffee pots on Friday night and whoever arrives first will plug in the coffee pots.

Lela will order 6 dozen donuts from Jewel and Janet will pick them up at 8 am. Janet will need to enter through Jameson's Restaurant

Supplies – Marilyn and Karl will bring their clocks and computers. Marilyn will bring the bridge pads, convention cards and table cards.

Will is our Director and will bring boards, hand records and pencils.

Marilyn will read the names of those receiving awards. Randy will hand out the Ace of Clubs Certificates. Karen will hand out the Virtual Ace of Clubs Certificates. The MiniMcKenny Medallions will be handed out by Steve.

Lela will read the minutes from last year's annual meeting.

Janet will prepare print outs of the financials to put one on each table can be through December.

Nominations Committee by Greg and Steve. The membership has the right under certain circumstances to nominate someone. Lela has sent letter to the clubs concerning nominating new board members. Greg as the Nominating Chair will present Steve, Kyle and Randy as board members who will continue to serve on the Unit 239 Board of Directors commencing July 1, 2025 and ending July 1, 2027.

Janet will present the financial report.

Lela and BJ will collect the money (\$15) and give out the table assignment. We are paying over \$30 per person to Jameson's for the lunch.

Non-Profit Status.

Janet and Van are looking into our non-profit status concerning our paperwork. Van has made several calls to the state about our status. Janet says we are a 501-C7. Janet has not gotten any more notifications from the IRS that they accepted everything that we paid. She is waiting on finalized forms from the IRS. We do not have any

more documentation showing our non-profit status. It is important for us to have the documentation especially concerning paying the taxes on room rentals. We are not exempt from sales tax. Randy suggested that our accountant may have the documentation showing we are a exempt from paying room tax.

Regional in Crystal Lake – June 16 through 20.

Marilyn will send out shortly the first email blast concerning the Regional.

BJ will do the donuts again this year.

Karen will continue as the Volunteer Coordinator.

Mike and Martina will continue at the Partnership Desk.

Marilyn will make another announcement at the Annual Meeting that we will need Caddies for the Swiss Teams. Caddies make \$30 per session and \$60 for the day.

The charge per session will be \$16

The flyers are done and will be given to Karen and Kyle at the Annual Meeting.

Non Life Master / Open Sectional in Rockford – September 7 to 9

Kyle will need to take over arrangements from David Jenkins which would be hotel room arrangements, talk to Tebala and make sure that their guys are available for the lunches. The contract is in place.

Flyer needs to go out shortly. We can not wait as long as we did last year.

Kyle is working on getting someone to be co-chair with her.

Whoever is replacing Dave on the Partnership Desk needs to be told to Karl and Marilyn in order to be placed on the flyer.

The charge will be \$15 for the Regional and \$14 for the Open.

Turkey Bowl at Cougar's Stadium - November 21 and 22.

The dates for the Friday and Saturday before Thanksgiving. We are trying to see if moving the date will increase our attendance. Janet has sent the deposit.

Steve will work with Karl on the Flyer.

Bill has indicated that he no longer wants to be a tournament

director, but is willing to be an assistant Director.

The charge will be \$14. This is consistent for our Sectional events.

New Business

Karen Walker has stepped down for running the Champaign Regional. She will also no longer be doing the District 8 Advocate. The District 8 board decided to make the District 8 website to contain all the information. Linda Jacobson will continue to do our information about our unit. District 8 will have links to our unit's website. There are 4 units in our District

The next board meeting will be Tuesday, May 27th by zoom at 2 pm.

Karen moved and Steve seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 3:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted
Lela Lowe