

**Unit 441 Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Sunday, July 10, 2022**

The meeting at the clubhouse in Tumwater was called to order at 11 a.m. by Board President Vicki Hamende.

**Present:** Bill Julius, Demeter Manning, Lynne Dearing, Paul Sekulich, Kim Johnson, Vicki Hamende

**Absent:** Kathi McKay, Dee Woods, Alex Rajala

**I. Minutes**

- The board approved the minutes of the April 3, 2002, board meeting.

**II. Treasurer's Report**

- Treasurer Bill Julius said he reimbursed Vicki for the \$100 down payment she paid to the Thurston County Fairgrounds for the Labor Day Weekend Sectional and will do the same for the \$250 she paid Pianola for the email addresses we will use to send an "eBlast" to advertise the event.
- The board recommended that Vicki send the eBlast on August 8<sup>th</sup>.

**III. Old Business**

- Vicki reminded the board of the remaining unit events this year and of the need for a director for the October 16<sup>th</sup> Pro-Am, a standby for the December 4<sup>th</sup> unit game, and a director for the 8 IS ENOUGH Swiss Teams game and potluck. Demeter said she will direct the Pro-Am if no one else is available. Vicki said she will coordinate the 8 IS ENOUGH game.
- The board discussed how the last Pro-Am game was a success mainly because Lynne personally called several players to ask them to participate. Kim suggested that we promote the event much more by making several verbal announcements at the bridge clubs, by putting up signs, and by having sign-up sheets.
- Vicki said she will contact Steve Brown, a former board member, to find out if he still has any sectional signs. Bill said he will arrange to have any signs at his house brought to the clubhouse where the signs made by Nan Hittmeier, a former board member, are stored.
- The board said we need approximately 150 more flyers from Kathi to distribute at the Vancouver, WA, sectional and the Lynnwood regional, and to have available at local clubs.
- Lynne recommended that the unit board involve as many people as possible from the unit at large to help with unit events.

**IV. New Business**

- Vicki and Kathi have volunteered to be the sectional co-chairs.
- Vicki said she has been in touch with Jeff Jacob, the ACBL director in charge of our tournament. She has also communicated with David Turner, who will bring all the bridge supplies we will need.

- Wesley Wilhelmi, the grandson of Ralph and Debra Wilhelmi, will be the caddy during the Swiss Teams game on Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup>. One of Wesley's siblings will step in to help that day if the board decides that another caddy is needed. Vicki said Debra told her that the \$100 rate we have paid caddies in the past is still acceptable.
- The board agreed that we should offer just a minimal amount of wrapped snacks at the sectional and that we can ask unit members to provide these items. The board also suggested having a container near the snack bowls in which people can leave donations.
- Lynne volunteered to purchase various items needed for the tournament such as bottles of hand sanitizer and cleaning products.
- Paul outlined the work he will coordinate for the coffee/tea/water beverage table. (Vicki said she brought a large box of cups to the clubhouse and will pass those along to Paul. She said she also has a large number of napkins to donate.) Paul said he will also coordinate the disposal of trash. We'll have small garbage bags on the sides of the tables. Vicki said she has unopened boxes of teabags to donate.
- People who have volunteered so far to help with the setting up and taking down of the tables and chairs and other supplies are Paul, Steve, Bill, Jim Loomis, Pat and Mike Thompson, and Russ Wing.
- Kathi, who was not present at the meeting, has volunteered to be the Partnership Desk coordinator for all three days of the sectional. She is organizing the procedures to follow.
- Vicki volunteered to be the standby player for the first day of the sectional. Demeter said she will be the morning standby on Sunday, and Lynne said she will be the afternoon standby that day. Standbys are not needed on the Monday of the tournament.
- Vicki asked board members who have name tags to wear them during the tournament.
- It was suggested that a man with a booming voice be in charge of announcements. It was also suggested that the announcer tell the players when they need to be back after each lunch break.
- The board will provide lists of nearby eateries.

## V. Other Business

- Demeter volunteered to continue as the election coordinator.
- The next board meeting will take place at 11 or 11:30 a.m. prior to the Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, unit game.
- Vicki adjourned the July 10<sup>th</sup> meeting at 12:15 p.m.