

WUMBA (Unit 149) Board Meeting
Appleton, WI
April 13, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Bill Murphy (President), Jim Nikstad, Mollie Freier, Don Schuette (outgoing Treasurer), Jim Mulbrandon, Joan Schuette, Roman Rommelfanger, Brian Carlson (Acting Vice President, District 13 representative), Barbara Carlson, Mary Ann Romberg, Judy Terrault, Nancy Grimes, Chelley Andress (District 13 representative), Sharon Basal, Maria Roswall, Terry McCloskey (District 13 representative), Mary Ann McCloskey, Flo Erickson (Mentorship Chair), Barbara Tysdahl, Dennis Ryan (District 13 representative), George Bleskachek (Tournament Coordinator), Mollie Freier (Acting Secretary)

Introductions of new Board members who were present: incoming Treasurer Jim Nikstad, District 13 representative Rochelle Andress, Judy Terrault, Mary Ann Romberg, Roman Rommelfanger, Barbara Tysdahl.

Reading of the minutes of the last meeting

Nancy Grimes moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes; Terry McCloskey seconded. Motion carried.

Elections: Maria Roswall

President: Bill Murphy has been nominated; Sharon Basal seconded. No more nominations. Bill accepted.

VP: Brian Carlson has been nominated; Nancy Grimes seconded. No more nominations. Brian accepted.

Secretary: Mollie Freier has been nominated, Chelley Andress seconded. No more nominations. Mollie accepted.

Treasurer: Jim Nikstad has been nominated; Mollie seconded. No more nominations. Jim accepted.

Update list of board members on the WUMBA site

In order to get accurate information on the WUMBA site, as well as to get accurate information for the Treasurer and other officers, Bill Murphy passed around a list for people to sign and to add names of board members both new and old.

Officers Reports

Treasurer's Report

Don Schuette reported that, for the USBF regional in Eau Claire in June of 2014, USBF will get \$1 per table. This tournament will be held June 10-15, 2014. Board members were encouraged to get people to attend.

Don has revised the budget spreadsheet for the first two tournaments for 2013 to show the 299er discount as an expense. Gain/loss is the actual loss, including the 299er discount.

Don moved that Jim Nikstad be authorized to file the state and federal tax return the liaison to the Wisconsin Department of Financial Institutions. The motion was seconded by Terry McCloskey. Motion carried.

Reports from Standing Committees

Budget and Finance Committee

Brian Carlson presented a proposal for WUMBA's budget process. The purpose is to improve the board's control of the budget process through database information. Brian recommends that planning be done on a two-year basis, with revisions every year. Our purposes: tournaments, membership, and administration. Each area has expenses and income. Budgets need to be updated every time there is a budget event (e.g., adding a tournament, creating half-price entries for 299ers). The WUMBA Vice-President is currently the chair of the Budget and Financing Committee, and Brian plans to propose a budget for 2013-14, but we currently have problems that we need to gather information about before a budget can be put together.

Free plays for the people serving on the tournament committee and people running the tournament are not an expense--they are reimbursement for services. Unit free plays are compensation for administrative costs. The 299er discount is not a loss--it's an investment. These considerations alter the facts about the tournaments. Brian did a regression analysis of tournaments in order to establish the fixed costs and variable costs for tournaments. He discovered that 64% of the variance was unexplained. Seven tournaments run well, but for the others lose more money or don't make enough money. Brian presented five motions, and Terry made the first: That all tournaments under the auspices of Unit 149 (WUMBA) must be approved by vote of the WUMBA board; and that no payments or financial commitments may be made without this approval. Mollie seconded this motion. George Bleskachek pointed out that many tournaments cannot make site commitments two years in advance. Motion carried.

Jim Mulbrandon moved: That the Board will vote to approve annually on a two year schedule of sectional tournaments as presented by the WUMBA tournament coordinator. Terry McCloskey seconded. Motion carried.

Terry McCloskey moved: That all sectional tournaments are expected to comply with conditions set by the WUMBA board. Any tournament deemed not be in compliance will be expected to comply within a period no longer than three years. Jim Mulbrandon seconded. Motion carried.

Mollie Freier moved: That regional tournaments will be approved only when accompanied by a budget developed in conjunction with the Budget and Finance Committee. Maria Roswall seconded. Motion carried

Jim Nikstad moved: That the President, under emergency conditions, is authorized to conduct a poll of the Board members to amend the Board authorization. Mollie Freier seconded. Jim Mulbrandon suggested an amendment to the motion: that the president can select an executive committee of no more than five Board members, including himself, to make these emergency decisions on short notice. Don Schuette suggested the four top officers plus George. Jim and Mollie accepted the amendment. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business

USBF regional update – Dennis Ryan

There will be a USBF regional tournament in Eau Claire June 10-15, 2014.

Zone managers

Zone managers are vital to the smooth conduct of our elections and our membership tracking.

The following were listed as Zone Managers at the meeting:

Madison—Nancy Grimes

LaCrosse—Maria Roswall

Rhineland, Three Lakes, and Minocqua--Bill Murphy

Green Bay—Sharon Basal

Eau Claire--Sue Klein

Wausau & Stevens Point—Marge Jones

UP—Mollie Freier

We do not have anyone for Appleton, but Mary Ann Romberg volunteered to find someone.

New Business:

Youth NABC stipends

Bill Murphy said that, in the past, the Unit has matched the District stipend. Mollie Freier said that an eleven-year-old player from Marquette, Cooper Smith, will be attending the Youth NABC this year, which has been scheduled to coincide with the World Youth Tournament.

Nancy Grimes moved and Mollie Freier seconded that we continue support for youth going to these tournaments in an amount up to \$500. Motion carried.

Lunch and learn

Mollie Freier moved and Maria Roswall seconded that we continue these Intermediate/Newcomer events for another year.

Adjournment

Nancy Grimes moved we adjourn; Brian Carlson seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:44 p.m.