

Wisconsin Upper Michigan Bridge Association, Inc. (WUMBA)
Board Meeting held at the Three Lakes Sectional on September 16th, 2018 at 9:00AM.

Meeting was called to order by Mary Ann Romberg, President. 9:01AM.

Roll call was called and a quorum was recognized. Paul Morgan was the proxy for Michael Selchert.

Minutes of the April 21, 2018 meeting were approved and 2nded. The only amendment was the spelling of Mollie Freier's name.

1. Membership chair is Emalyn Nikstad, her report was spoken by Mary Ann Romberg with the comments: "...membership is in good shape...." Understood WUMBA is stable.
2. Mentoring Program report was given by Florence Erickson. Mentorship is taking on a high profile as membership is slowly declining. Mentoring is a priority.
 - a. Promote bridge with every member serving as a "kind" mentor and "nurture" the new bee's.
 - b. Promotion through the zone managers will become an initiative.
 - c. Win the confidence of the new bee's confidence with friendship and then bridge mentoring. Make sure new bees are never left feeling inadequate or as a slow learner. Learning should be fun.
2. Treasurer's report was given by Adam Gewiss:
 - a. Tournament income 2018 is slightly better than 2017 as a comparative state.
 - b. Balance sheet was outlined.
 - c. Income Statement was discussed.
 - d. CD's were outlined.
3. Tournament Director, George Blesckachek discussed:
 - a. Fliers need to be sent to George and George will send the flier to ACBL for approval and a sanction #.
 - b. Regional Tournament in Eau Claire, changes to the games were discussed. Tournament was down 14 tables vs. last year. Site is excellent, Lake Hallie.
 - c. Human resources for tournaments are being burned up, same people srve over and over again.
 - d. On our Sectional Fliers place a sentence stating "Support WUMBA Regional in Eau Claire.
4. Rick Brown's report on the 2018 Eau Claire Regional was given during lunch. Discussion concerned what games to keep and which games would have stratification adjustments.
5. General discussion before adjournment: Zone Manager's need to be elected and know they are Zone Managers. Board elections need to be completed prior to the April meeting. Nomination duties for Zone Managers is going to be led by Mollie Freier and supported by Dave Melin and Chuck Vierthaler.
6. Motion to adjourn was made and 2nded.

Next Board meeting will be at Appleton, April 6, 2019 at the Spring Sectional.

Three Lakes Sectional will have a new Chair for 2019. Terry McCloskey is stepping down and Carla Chropkowski will chair the sectional in 2019. Terry will mentor Carla for at least one year.

Chuck Vierthaler, Secretary