

WUMBA Board Meeting Agenda

Location: Wausau

Date: September 16, 2022 5:30 pm

- i. **Call to order:** David Raitt President-Elect at 530 p.m.
- ii. **Roll call** Adam Gewiss, Cerona Stevens, Helen Ippel, Mary Schommer, Judy Niesing, Emalyn Nikstad, Wayne Peters, David Raitt, Marge Morgan, Bill Higbee, George Bleskachek, Flo Erickson.
- iii. **Approval of minutes from last meeting and from September of 2019:** Mollie Freier. April 2019 minutes are not on the WUMBA website. Wayne moved, Marge seconded that we approve the September 2019 minutes. Motion carried. Wayne and Marge moved and seconded to approve the May 2022 minutes—motion carried with the addition of attendance.
- iv. **Treasurer's Report:** Bill Higbee. Reported that Green Bay didn't do well, Minocqua made a small profit, and, although he hadn't included it in his report, his impression is that the regional did well (profit of \$4000). Marge asked what a reasonable amount of our \$51000+ to put in a CD. Bill will look into interest rates at various banks for about \$30000 in CDs. Marge moved Helen seconded that we authorize the treasurer to invest \$30000 in CDs or Treasury bills. Motion carried.
- v. **Elections:** David Raitt & Mollie Freier. Our president, Mary Ann Romberg, died on August 30. Currently, David would be our president however, he would like to have an opportunity to be mentored in the job. Flo moved, Helen seconded that Marge step into the role of

president and mentor David for a year, then he will step into the presidency. Motion carried.

- vi. **Membership Report:** Emalyn Nikstad presented her report—membership is down ACBL-wide and in WUMBA. The process of paying the second year of dues for new members was discussed and explained. Mollie will send various reports to Marge, David, Bill, and Emalyn monthly.
- vii. **Education Report:** Gregg Underheim was ill, and Wayne reported in his place. Wayne stepped in to do the Lunch & Learn today, and Gregg has plans for other sessions.
- viii. **Unit Tournament Coordinator:** George Bleskachek
 - A. WUMBA property—Trailer of tables, new computer, 60 tables of bidding boxes, dealing machine, two timers, and Bridgemates. They are all being kept by George. Wayne offered a printer to WUMBA, from the Appleton club.
 - B. Green Bay Sectional—lost about \$2000, primarily because the playing site is so expensive, and turnout was low. Will the board allow the sanction that they have for next year to be used at the casino? Discussion of alternate playing sites in general ensued. Community centers, and other options in Green Bay and other cities were mentioned. Other options in Green Bay should be investigated.
 - C. Completed Sectional—Minocqua/Woodruff—made \$12. Attendance was reasonable.
 - D. Scheduled Sectionals: October Marquette, November LaCrosse, December Madison, February Ripon, April in Madison (tentative—Marge is trying to get that together with a reasonable rent—however, Wayne would like to try to get an Appleton tournament together in

April of 2023). We encourage tournament chairs to get their tournaments posted as soon as possible.

- ix. **Lake Hallie Regional:** George—table count average was better than Madison's or Milwaukee's. 162.5 tables. Next year will be Tuesday-Friday, August 22-25, 2023.

- x. **New business**

- xi. **Announcements—David announced that the Madison team participated in the GNT and made it to the finals in the C flight. Check the Bridge Bulletin.**

- xii. **Flo asked about the mentorship program. Flo doesn't think that she can chair this any more, and thinks we should find another chair. Flo is now an Eau Claire rep.**

- xiii. **Adjournment 6:21 p.m.**

- xiv. **Proposed Next Meeting:** Madison or Appleton April, 2023