

# WUMBA Board Meeting

## Minutes

Location: Schofield, WI

Date: September 15, 2023

- I. **Call to order:** The meeting was called to order by Marge Morgan at 4:45.
- II. **Roll call & Introduction of Members:** Marge Morgan, Emalyn Nikstad, Jim Bloedorn representing LaCrosse in David Melin's absence) Judy Niesing, Mary Schommer, Helen Ippel, Adam Gewiss, Wayne Peters, Gregg Underheim, Bill Higbee, Cerona Stevens, David Raitt, Fred (guest from LaCrosse) George Bleskachek
- III. **Approval of minutes from last meeting:** April 14, 2023. Corrections made, Wayne moved, Bill seconded that we approve with the corrections.

#### IV. Treasurer's Report: Bill Higbee

We're doing better because our sectionals are doing better. SO far this year we have \$2800 in profit, as opposed to last year when we had \$330 in profit.

Currently, we're doing well through the end of August—profit just under \$3800. However, there are trailer repair expenses coming in. Second year dues are down a bit this year, but we are still paying for that second year.

Treasury bill matured last week in August and has been renewed. \$930 in interest on what we have. Wayne moved, Judy seconded that Bill purchase Treasury bills to the point where the checking account goes down to \$5000. Motion carried.

#### V. Membership Report: Emalyn Nikstad — Lapsed Member Campaign

24 new members ytd, up over 2021 and 2022.

Marge: ACBL has been reaching out to lapsed members to get them to renew, with a \$20 credit for club entries. However, ACBL is not doing a good job of reminding people that their memberships have lapsed. Marge has sent the list of lapsed names to the board, and club managers can let ACBL know if any of these members are deceased.

#### VI. Education Report: Gregg Underheim

Lunch and Learns at tournaments. Gregg is willing to let others suggest programs and speakers and ideas.

#### VII. Unit Tournament Coordinator: George B.

a) Woodruff

b) Upcoming Sectionals

Marquette, LaCrosse, Madison, Appleton, Woodruff, Madison (July), Regional in August

#### VIII. Lake Hailey Regional Report

\$3800 profit, and the venue is available for next year.

#### **ix. District 13 Report — Marge Morgan**

Other units depend on sectionals to make money to support their regionals. A Chicago club wanted to have its own sectional (taking the money for itself). The District board denied this request.

Stan Subeck passed away recently. He has been the district treasurer for a number of years, so District 13 is looking for a treasurer. Marge would be willing to give up her seat on the board to someone who would be willing to serve as district treasurer.

#### **x. New business**

**New webmaster**—someone has volunteered (William Scott). Stan claimed expenses, but otherwise received no compensation. When Marge gets a final confirmation from William, she'll let us know.

#### **Preparation for April 2024 Elections & Local election of Board Members**

We need to get people elected to the Unit board. In April, we will elect officers, and we will need a Nominating Committee to select a slate, with special attention to the President-Elect. The Zone Managers are listed on the WUMBA web site. WUMBA board members should find out who their Zone Managers are and contact them. Marge expressed concern that too much of our work is being done by people from Madison and Marquette. Marge will entertain volunteers for the Nomination Committee. It was agreed that the current officers will serve as the Nominating Committee.

Helen Ippel resigned from the board.

**xi. Announcements: no announcements**

**xii. Adjournment 5:43 p.m.**

**xiii. Proposed Next Meeting:** Appleton, April 5, 2024