AMERICAN CONTRACT BRIDGE LEAGUE

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Red Deer, Alberta   August 12, 1983

Board members present: Phyllis Burke, Paul Nelson, Carl Forner, Rae Bateman, Mary Clarke, Margaret Simonson; also Charlene Schou, Marie Tolley, Phil Wood.

The meeting was called to order by President Phyllis, and the minutes of our last meeting in Pocatello were read and approved. Phyllis reported that Salmon, Idaho, has joined the Idaho Falls Unit. Phil said that Red Deer will have their own unit in the future.

The Treasuer's Report was given by Paul. Carl feels that the Board should have a statement on District expenses and disbursements. Paul will have this ready for our Kalispell meeting. Carl moved that the present financial statement be accepted as given. Mary seconded, motion carried.

Phil recommended that we have a second Lucky Draw at tonite's Speedball Swiss Team event. Mary made a motion that Phil be given authority to do this at future tournaments if the attendance warrants. Paul seconded. Motion carried.

The red dot program, which was discussed in Pocatello, did not get under way in Red Deer. Hopefully, in Kalispell.

Bob Brown, past president of Unit #390, spoke on the 1986 World Championship Pairs being held in Calgary. He would like to know what District #18 can and will do for them. He would like financial assistance, particularly in Miami. This was tabled until our meeting in Kalispell. The 1986 World Pairs Championship is under the umbrella of the Alberta Bridge Players Association.

Phil gave his report on this tournament. He predicted 2000 to 2100 tables, with a $12,000. profit, Canadian.

Charlene reported on WASUMI.

The next item on the agenda was the Split Site Regionals in 1985 and 1986. They will be held the third week in May, in Salt Lake City and either Regina or Saskatoon. Tentative for Regina. Phil would the board to authorize this at this meeting. Mary made the motion that the board authorize the split site regionals in May of 1985. PHYLLIS seconded, motion carried unamimously.

We talked about the Salt Lake City site. The Hotel Utah has given no firm prices, which are needed before we can decide on a playing site.

Meeting adjourned until tomorrow morning.

Saturday, August 13.

All board members present, as well as Phil and Marie.

Paul made a motion that "District 18 delegates elected to the ACBL National Board of Directors, who are no longer serving in that capacity, will be considered Honorary Members of the District 18 board, without voting powers. So long as they continue to reside with the boundaries of Dist. 18". This would be an amendment

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to Article VI, Section 7, and will be acted upon in Kalispell.

Marie gave her report on Grand National Teams. One major change is that there will be no mileage at the intermediate stage. Also when the GNT are held at the local stage, players will know at this time when the intermediate stage will be held. The GNP are about the same as last year. The District finals will be split sites on the 14th and 15th of January, in Regina and Pocatello. Balance in the bank is $2717.42.

Phil instructed Rae to get hin a firm proposal for public rates at the Hotel Utah for Salt Lake City in 1985. He also reported that everything is all set for Kalispell. 1500 tables projected, with 1300 budgeted for hospitality. Also we're all set for Boise next spring and Edmonton in the summer. He would like permission to pencil in Red Deer for 1985. We may go back to Calgary, if financially feasible.

Bob Donaldson will report on Sectionals in Kalispell. The attendance at Sectionals is down all over - the District board will try to help Units and Sectional Chairmen.

Mary stated that Flin Flon is distressed over the Regional being held on the same date as their Sectional. However, the dates conflict and have to be held on the same date.

Carl suggested he would like to draw up an agenda for the Board to follow- more on Roberts Rules of Order style. Phyllis explained our "more casual" style, which has worked well and to our satisfaction. For the time being, we will continue as in the past.

Mary said many complaints have been made here on the bad conditions of the boards. Phyllis will talk to Cliff, to make sure the boards are in good condition for Kalispell.

Mary moved that the District#18 Board buy a trophy to be won by a Dist. #18 non professional bridge member. It will be called the Phyllis Burke Traveling Trophy. Rae seconded. Motion carried.Alvin Barager came in and read a statement saying that the Canadian Bridge Federation is firmly behind Calgary's bid to have the World Olympiad Pairs.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Simonson

Margaret Simonson, Secretary