

The Board of Directors of A.C.B.L. District 18 met at 5:00 p.m. on May 17, 1985 at the Hotel Utah in Salt Lake City, Utah. Present were Rae Bateman, Phyllis Burke, Shirley Burks and retiring board member Paul Nelson. President Rae Bateman formally seated new board members Mary Jean Morris and Shirley Castle. Marie Jolley was also present.

Marie Jolley reported that all qualifying games for Grand National Pairs at the club level for the year 1985 must be held between 1 July through 14 July, and 22 July through 28 July. To make the District finals more accessible to qualifying pairs, she proposed that these games be held at three sites, i.e., Pocatello, Butte and Saskatoon. A Sectional tournament will be held in conjunction with all three games. Shirley Burks moved that this proposal be accepted by the Board, Shirley Castle seconded and the motion was passed.

At this time Marie Jolley presented changes in Grand National Teams format. The most important change is that Flight B is open to any non-life master, regardless of number of recorded points. Discussion was had as to the location of the District Finals for Grand National Teams. Location was set at Great Falls to make playing more convenient for Flight B Canadian players. Marie recommended that minimum number of teams at Unit level be dropped to three teams. Mary Jean Morris moved that this change be made in the Conditions of Contest and Shirley Burks seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Marie Jolley presented her financial statement for 1984-1985 Grand National Teams Finals, which showed a net profit of \$1,673.99. She stated that there is approximately \$5,000 in the Grand National account in Butte. Shirley Castle moved that card fees in Grand National events be reduced to \$5.00 per session. Shirley Burks seconded. Motion passed.

Paul Nelson presented audit reports, showing balance in U. S. account as of 30 April 1985 of \$17,165.17, and in Canadian account as of 31 March 1985 of \$39,296.12. He stated that \$386.00 had been refunded by A.C.B.L. to District 18 for overpayment of Edmonton sanction fee. Paul stated that it is imperative that the Annual Corporation Report to Secretary of State of State of Wyoming be made each year, and that Form 990 be filed with I.R.S. each year. After discussion, Phyllis Burke moved that Shirley Castle file these forms, as Mr. Forner, new Treasurer of the District, is a resident of Canada. Mr. Forner is to file form 1099 as to amounts paid to Charlene Schou. Paul stated that he is forwarding all financial records to Carl Forner. He also stated that he had greatly enjoyed serving on the District 18 Board.

Phyllis Burke initiated discussion re District 18 rejoining Western Conference. She recommended that this action not be taken due to the expense. After discussion, Shirley Burks moved that we continue to publish our news items and tournament results in Wasumi. Motion seconded by Mary Jean Morris and passed.

Shirley Castle moved that the Board of District 18 petition the A.C.B.L. to rename the Grand National Teams 'The McNab Grand National Teams'. Phyllis Burke seconded and motion passed. President Bateman instructed Phyllis Burke to present this petition at the next national A.C.B.L. Board meeting.

Rae Bateman read a letter from Don Schopflocher in Alberta re the Edmonton Regional and her reply.

Phyllis Burke brought up the subject of location of regional tournaments. Discussion was held regarding expenses to Board and players. The matter was tabled until the Board meeting in Calgary.

The minutes of the Board meeting held at Edmonton were read and approved. Meeting was adjourned until 9:30 a.m. on May 18.

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Meeting was re-convened with Bob Donaldson and Charlene Schou present in addition to those present at the meeting on 17 May.

Marie Jolley reported on her conversation with Phil Wood regarding location of District finals in GNT and Pairs. Marie stated that she had had a difficult time setting dates for the intermediate round of GNT in Idaho. It was moved, seconded and passed that once the date of the intermediate round is set in the conditions of contest, there will be no change.

At the request of Bob Donaldson, the Board set the dates of the 1987 Boise Regional to be 27 May 1987 thru 2 June 1987. A Charity Game will be held on the Monday night preceding, using a local director if necessary.

Shirley Castle asked what the status is of Casper, Wyo. withdrawing from Dist. 17 and being included in Dist. 18. Phyllis Burke said that Casper has not met the necessary requirements for changing districts. These requirements are that a poll must be taken of all Unit members and a Petition must be presented to Districts 17 and 18. Phyllis said that Chris Wilson had told her that Dist. 17 would have no objection to Casper Unit becoming a part of Dist. 18. Shirley Castle volunteered to inform the Casper Unit of the correct procedure to be followed in changing districts.

Charlene Schou reported on guidelines used in writing and editing Distr 18's portion of Wasumi. She asked that her compensation be enlarged to include airfare for one ~~summer~~ ^{Summer 18} Canadian Regional ^{her choice} each year. Motion approving same made, seconded and passed.

Phyllis Burke moved that Shirley Burks be responsible for arrangements for Montana regionals. Mary Jean Morris seconded and motion was passed.

Phyllis Burke moved that District 18 pay for Chris Wilson's room at Hotel Utah during the time she was here for this Regional. -Rae Bateman seconded and motion passed.

At this time it was pointed out that Carl Forner is in charge of District 18 elections, and that he is a candidate for re-election this year. Shirley Castle moved that, to protect Mr. Forner from any discomfort in handling his own candidacy, Mary Jean Morris be appointed to handle the current election. Shirley Burks seconded the motion and it was passed.

The Board formally thanked Paul Nelson for past and present services.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Shortly after the meeting was adjourned, Paul Nelson took a poll of all Board members present and all members polled agreed to pay transportation and per diem for Marie Jolley due to the fact that she was not directing during the tournament, but had come to Salt Lake City to discuss Grand National matters with the Board.

Respectfully submitted

Original signed by
Shirley B. Castle

Acting Secretary