## Approved

## DBAA/Unit 253 Board Meeting Saturday, October 14, 2017 – 9:30-11:30 Bridge Club of Atlanta

## Present:

<b>Board of Directors</b>	
Officers:	Marty Nathan, Rob Epstein, Pete Martin
Directors:	Roz Howell, Joan Duffy, Becky Butler, Sue Williams, Janice Ripley, Ram
	Sankaran
Guests:	Judy Fendrick
Absent:	Jan Noll, Josie Mitchell, Jack Feagin

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 by Marty Nathan.

In Jan's absence, Roz Howell acted as secretary for the meeting.

**Prior Meeting Minutes:** The minutes of the August 29, 2017, meeting, sent to the board on 9/19/17 with correction on 9/20/17, were **approved**.

**Treasurer's Report** – Pete sent out Treasurer's report prior to meeting. The report was **approved** and is posted on the website.

**President's Message** – Marty Nathan – Before the next meeting on December 9<sup>th</sup>, all board members and committee chairs, please complete a description of your job and send it to Jan. As we approach election time, it is important that we ensure continuity.

**Committee Reports** (Note: Not all will have a report every meeting)

- New Appointments Marty Nathan
   Marty is looking for a Nomination Committee Chair as his original choice is no longer
   available.
- Awards Susan Wolfe
   Nothing to report
- Change of Rank Becky Butler
   Nothing to report
- DBAA Game Pete Martin Pete reported that the participation continues to slide, and he is working on some ideas to promote the game. Jack is arranging a series of lessons, and Pete will possibly do a free play promotion. General discussion ensued about moving the game time or place.

While acknowledging our desire to avoid a conflict with other club games, Pete will do some more research and report back.

- Directory Rob Epstein/Sue Williams
   Roz Howell is chairing the print directory and working with Rob and Sue. Signs, forms and collection boxes will be distributed to clubs in the next week or so and at the November tournament. We will use the Pianola database for our print directory and update it from the information that is submitted on the opt-in form. Players will be able to opt-in to the print directory and/or the online directory for two phone numbers and/or email address. There will be an email blast to all members in early December and an email invitation to ABA and U114 players to be included. The target date for publication is January 2018. The deadline for submissions is December 30, 2017.
- District 7 Report Judy Fendrick (or appointee) There will be elections for officers in Charlotte at the end of October.
- Education Joan Duffy / Janice Ripley Nothing to report.
  Elections Elyse Mintz
- Finance Nothing to report

Nothing to report.

- GNT/NAP
   Nothing to report
- Goodwill (D7) Judy Fendrick
   District 7 has changed its policy for Goodwill to have new honorees from the Units and a
   Goodwill banquet in Greenville in odd-numbered years, and in even-numbered years,
   there will be a Goodwill reception at one of the D7 Regionals, giving preference to
   locations where there has not been an awards banquet in several years. The 2018
   Goodwill reception will be at the Hilton Head Regional in February. It is expected that
   Atlanta will host the 2020 Goodwill reception.

**Bob Fendrick** 

Vacant

- Hall of Fame Mike Sheldon Nothing to report.
- Membership Bev Wilkinson
   Nothing to report.
- NABC Judy Fendrick/Joe Sherwood
   They are looking for suggestions for desirable registration and section top prizes. The committee is very happy with the venue. ACBL projects 11,000 tables in attendance.
- Newsletter Diane Strickland Nothing to report – next newsletter comes out around November 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Special Games Vicki Bell

Nothing to report.

- Sportsperson of the Year Roz Howell The Committee reported that the email blast was significantly more effective than the newsletter for producing nominations. There were excellent choices for consideration this year.
- Tournament Committee
   Nothing to report

Jack Feagin

Patty Tucker

- Tournaments Nothing to report
- Web Site Sue Williams/Rob Epstein
   Nothing to report
- Youth Bridge
   Nothing to report

## **New Business**

- Sportsperson of the Year Arnold Hawkins was selected as 2017 SPOTY
- Georgia Tech Funding Request
   A request was made for support of the Georgia Tech Bridge Club by helping with
   recurring expenses of food and refreshments, supplies, and publicity expenses in the
   amount of \$500. A motion was made and **Approved** with one change: The DBAA will
   provide \$250 immediately and expect District 7 to provide the remainder of the request.
   If District 7 does not, we will reconsider the entire amount.

Next Meeting (December 9, 2017) - Meeting was adjourned at 11:05.