

Unit 157 Board of Director Meeting Minutes
May 6, 2006, Montgomery, Alabama

Attending: W.C. Bryant, Clair Chisler, Jim Dobbyn, Clay Hall, Eileen Hedrick, O. T. Johnson, Don Kemp, Aaron Maryanow, Herb Stappenback, Lee Stimson, Jerri Taylor, Bob Teel.

The meeting was called to order by Unit 157 President, Bob Teel.

Minutes of the last meeting were distributed by Secretary Don Kemp. Aaron Maryanow moved, seconded by W.C. Bryant that the minutes be approved. The minutes were approved as read.

A treasurer's report was presented by Aaron Maryanow, showing a balance in cash, money markets, and Certificate of Deposits of \$24,020.66 as of 4/30/06. Income for 1/1/2006-4/30/2006 was \$3,483.53, an increase of \$2,049.92 over the previous year for the same period. Expenses for the same time period were \$1,089.00, \$444.66 less than the previous year. The treasurer's report was approved unanimously.

New Business

Clay Hall moved, seconded by Jerri Taylor, that the unit add \$2,000 per year to its general fund.

Hall stated that last year, at the Oxford Sectional, we talked about helping bridge clubs on the Gulf Coast. He stated that there is a need to build reserves so that, if we are faced with a tragedy, we would be able to help in case of need.

Maryanow stated building such a reserve would require a change in the unit's strategic plan. Lee Simson inquired as to the size of the fund required. Jim Dobbyn asked where the money would come from, and Maryanow stated that the funds we have disbursed over the last few years under the strategic plan resulted from funds disbursed to the unit after the Birmingham Nationals. There was a discussion of revenue sharing from the district, and the unit's loss of revenue sharing when we host a regional.

Hall stated that a lot of the unit's money has gone back to the clubs, and that we should raise the "base" by raising \$1,000 to \$2,000 per year.

The motion passed.

W. C Bryant stated that at the May meeting we had discussed having unit-wide games. Hall moved, seconded by Bryant, to hold a Unit-Wide Championship game on May 27th, with a starting time between 10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.. The motion passed.

President Teel appointed Clay Hall as head of the nominating committee.

Birmingham will host a "Halloween" Regional in 2007.

The next Unit 157 Board of Directors meeting will be between the afternoon and evening sessions at the Cheaha Sectional Tournament, on Saturday, September 30, 2006.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by W. C. Bryant. The motion passed without objection.

Respectfully submitted,

Don Kemp, Secretary
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