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Minutes of Unit 157 Board Meeting.....11 October 2014

Attendees:

Michael DeVivo, Unit Vice-President
Len Block, Unit Treasurer
Iris Bjorn, Unit Secretary
Clair Chisler, ACBL Representative
Dianne Wammack, BHM DBC Representative
Sherry Kamber, BHM DBC Representative
Robert Whiting, Over Doubled Waters DBC Representative
Linda Goble, MGM DBC Representative
Jo Ann Maddox (for Jerri Taylor) MGM Representative
Don Kemp, Bridge Club of Anniston Representative
Ted Bjorn, Greater Tuscaloosa DBC and Bama DBC Representative
Janet Brown, Gadsden DBC Representative

The meeting was called to order by Michael DeVivo, Unit Vice-President. Mike then passed out an attendees list and asked all to complete it in order to have an accurate way to contact all members of the board.

Old Business.

The following items were discussed:

- The minutes from previous board meeting were reviewed. Several editorial changes were noted and made. A motion to accept the minutes was made, seconded and passed.
- Len Block presented the treasurer's report, which included a balance sheet as well as a comparison from last year to this year. A motion to accept the report was made, seconded and passed.

New Business:

- The Birmingham Club requested funds for new tables to be used for tournaments. This expense came to \$1405.20. Thirty tables were purchased for this unit. A motion was made and passed (retroactively) to honor this request in the amount of **Len Block to supply exact figure please.**
- At the last board meeting, it was noted that Sandy Smith and Dennis Luft had provided information for educational expenses to be forwarded to District 10 Educational Liaison Dick Heil for reimbursement. Frank Cook forwarded this request over two months ago and still no response.
- Several invoices were presented on 22 May 2014, including three by Dennis Luft. **Len, what do you want to say here?** Mike DeVivo will confer with Dennis on details on two invoices from May.
- A bill for \$413.00 for expenses related to the bridge camp held this summer. Mike will check this with Dennis.
- A request for the unit to reimburse Dennis for carts to be used primarily at tournaments was made and passed. The total to be reimbursed was \$78.45.
- Janet Brown, Gadsden Bridge Club Rep, presented an invoice for \$1341.95 for their recent purchase of seven automatic scoring units and one server. She asked for help in paying for this purchase. As a general rule, the unit has paid for one-half of such purchases. A motion to honor this request was made, seconded, and passed.
- Re the regional tournament held in Birmingham in August, discussion ensued whether or not the Unit received its share of the proceeds. Sherry Kamber stated that she was unaware that such a sharing was required. After some back-checking, it was determined that 50% of the proceeds go to the Unit. Fifty per-cent stays with the Club. Of the 50 per-cent that stays with the Club, an additional amount goes to the Unit. **Len, what do you want to say here?** Sherry said that she would get with Len Block to determine what amount the BHM club is to reimburse the Unit.
- Don Kemp then presented the highlights of the recent ACBL Board Meeting, which are included here as Appendix A. **Get from Don Kemp.**
- Sherry Kamber said that BHM has a sectional coming up just before the Thanksgiving Holiday and asked all to give their support to this effort.
- At the last meeting, Frank Cook noted that it was time for new Unit 157 officers to be selected. In previous years, the President has appointed a nominating committee. After that meeting adjourned, Frank Cook asked Don Kemp, Linda Goble and Robert Whiting to be on that committee. They

accepted. Thus, the nominating committee presented the following slate and asked for Unit Board approval:

President:	Michael DeVivo
Vice-president:	Michael Lawson
Treasurer:	Len Block (has agreed to serve until new treasurer is determined)
Iris Bjorn	Secretary

A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept this slate of officers to serve for a term of two years, with the exception as noted re treasurer.

- There being no further items of new business, Mike called for adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

Iris Bjorn, Unit Secretary _