

Unit 508 Board of Directors Meeting
June 6, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Gene Simpson at 3:40 p.m.

The full Board was in attendance: Gene Simpson, Jim Cohen, Ingrid Purcell, Sue Parker, Debbie Levine, Gwen Toso, Kathy Sanders, Ellen Schiller and Lynn Blankfort

Secretary's Report: The minutes of April 25th were approved.

Treasurer's Report: \$11,356.42 is our current balance and we will have approximately \$2000.00 more when Peggy Tatro pays for the Dealing Machine.

Membership: There are now 627 members, which show a 12 member increase over April, 2011.

Education: Debbie reported that the ads were ready for the Barbara Seagram Seminar for the Forum, the website and Double Dummy. She also announced that the Diablo Valley Bridge Center was having a Seminar on July 9th with Marty Bergen via the Internet with Skype. We discussed having someone attend that presentation and reporting on its effectiveness. The charge for a 2 ½ hour afternoon session is \$20.00 per person with a dinner and club game following the seminar. An Epson multi-media Projector costs approximately \$560.00.

Tournament Report: Marin Catholic is definitely secured for April 21st and 22nd 2012.

Mentor Program: Sue told us that there have been 39 requests for Mentors and already 32 mentees have been paired. She is now working on tweaking the matches. This new program has been a huge success.

Hospitality: Cindy Blum has volunteered to help Kathy with the Awards Banquet. David Smith of Homeward Bound will again be our recipient of the funds raised at the Christmas party, which is tentatively scheduled for December 18

Old Business: As a result of Ingrid's research, the current by-laws stating that the Board should have no less than 6 or more than 10 members, was never approved by the membership. Ingrid moved that we change the by-laws that there should be no less than 10 or more than 12 members on the Board. Jim moved that Ingrid appoint a committee to work on this revision of the by-laws and present them in August. Debbie seconded the motion and the motion was passed.

Unit Games: The dates for the second half of the year for the Saturday Unit Game are: July 23rd, August 27th, September 24th and October 22nd.

Nominating Committee: Ingrid announced that Frank Aftowicz, Sue Bowser, Bob Haar and Ann Herner have been nominated by the Board for a two year term ending in 2013. They will be formally elected at the June 12th Awards Banquet and Unit Game.

Dealing Machine: Jim received Bob Crossley's invoice, and has requested, but not received, the copy of the Baron Barclay Invoice.

New Business: Jim distributed copies of the District 21 Board of Directors Meeting 6/4/11.

Gene thanked Jim Cohen and Gwen Toso for their contribution to the Board for the past term.

Sue moved that we give free play at all UNIT games to Board Members. Lynn seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

The next meeting will be Monday July 11th at Pickleweed following Roy's game.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55.

Respectfully submitted by Lynn Blankfort, Secretary

