

**Unit 508 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
November 16, 2009**

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 by Gene Simpson

Present: Jim Cohen, Debbie Levine, Lynn Blankfort, Ron Studen, Michael Nistler, Gwen Toso

Absent: Richard Mani, Alex Kinas

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the meeting of October 13th were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Ron announced that our balance is \$16,061.00

Membership Report: In Alex's absence, Debbie reported that the membership is down by 3 from last month and is 592 members.

Education Report: Vicki Lerner will be speaking on Slam Bidding on Sunday February 21st. Debbie is working on other dates and speakers for both Spring and Fall of 2010.

Hospitality report: Lou Sasselli will coordinate the Holiday Unit Party on Sunday December 6th.

Old Business:

Web Site Committee submitted a proposal as follows:

1. Directors of regular games within the Unit may post directly to the website.
2. Any member of the unit certified as a teacher: by ACBL as an Audrey Grant trainer or as an EasyBridge! presenter; or equivalent, may go directly to the Chair of the Website Committee* with information about classes offered.
3. Any other business announcements will go before the Unit Board on a case by case basis.
4. Unit members may register to receive announcements by e-mail – such as notices of special educational events, copies of the Double Dummy, etc.

Debbie moved that that the website committee recommendations be accepted into our Unit policy. It was seconded and approved.

E-mail.

Lynn moved to have Michael ask Laura to link the form that has been created in order to establish an e-mail list. Debbie seconded the motion and it was approved.

Gwen said that for some reason, Double Dummy has not been posted to our website. Michael will look into this.

New business:

Gene is working on a Unit game schedule for next year.

Lynn moved that we do away with the Jim Myers Award. Debbie seconded the motion and it was approved.

The next meeting will be on TUESDAY December 15, 2009 at Pickleweed.

The meeting was adjourned by Gene at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Lynn Blankfort, Secretary