

Central Ohio Bridge Association (COBA) Board Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2020

Present: Tom Bishel, Janet Cordova, Paul Grygier, Trish Jones, Lew Rakocy, Howard Sanders, Cheryl Schneider, Peter Wahl, Joe Wernet, and Cindy Windsor

Absent: Toni Bales, Janelle Courtright, Frank Paynter, and Judy Williamson

President Trish Jones called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. at the York Golf Club (prior to the start of the Saturday session of the Columbus Sectional).

Summer Sectional

The summer sectional will be a non-life master tournament to be held at the Columbus Bridge Center June 6 and 7. The Saturday pair games will be at 11:00 and 4:00. The Sunday Swiss game will start at 10:00 with a break for lunch. Before the first session on Saturday there will be a seminar or discussion of a topic relevant to non-life masters.

Future Sectionals

Trish Jones proposed that the Unit form a tournament committee that would be responsible for scheduling and managing the Unit's Sectionals. A suggestion was made that there should be two open Sectionals and one non-life master Sectional per year. One possibility for an additional Sectional would be a Progressive Sectional which would be held at the clubs. The suggestion was made that hotels should be contacted as playing sites. The Unit would be at a price disadvantage because it will not guaranty room occupancy levels. All these suggestions were tabled until the next meeting.

Awards Dinner

The Awards Dinner (previously called the Lifemaster Dinner) will be held April 4. The cost will be \$20 which will include dinner and two rounds of bridge. The dinner coordinators are Janet Cordova and Cindy Windsor.

Membership Recruitment and Promotion

The Unit needs to reach out to golf clubs, community centers, women's clubs, and other groups to promote bridge. Cindy Windsor and Tom Bishel volunteered to spearhead the outreach effort.

2020 NABC

Board members were reminded to talk up the 2020 NABC Tournament. Any volunteers should contact Judy Williamson.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Unit Bylaws

Before the Saturday afternoon session (February 8, 2020) of the Sectional, a general meeting of the COBA membership was called to order. Ballots were distributed to the membership to approve the Unit Bylaw changes which were approved by the Board at its October meeting. The bylaw changes were approved sixty-six to zero.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Grygier