

CHAPTER I - MEMBERSHIP

G. EDUCATION

King or Queen of Bridge Competition (812-93)

- A. High School students may compete only from January 1 of their Junior year to March 31 of their Senior year.
- B. Since this event is conducted in the spirit of amateurism, all points earned while playing with a player who is required (under the Regulations on Professionalism) to be a member of an accredited professional organization, shall not be included for purposes of this competition.
- C. High school students are encouraged to register prior to January 1 of their Junior year.

ACBL Teaching Program and Teachers Outside the Program (881-31)

Management shall engage in an ongoing program of cooperation and communication with the ABTA.

Educational Committee (881-33)

Units and/or Districts shall designate a member to serve as a liaison with the ACBL for the purpose of furthering our Educational programs.

Bridge Education Status Report (903-31)

- A. Management shall present status reports on current Bridge Education programs and related projects, including operating statements and current and forecasted budgets, at each meeting of the Board.
- B. Charges for the Teacher's Accreditation Program shall be at a break-even cost. In those instances where the cost to ACBL is substantially less, the difference shall be refunded to the sponsor.
- C. Each District shall appoint an Education Coordinator to work with Unit Liaisons in the development of an educational program within its Units and to assist in organizing TAPs.
- D. Management shall provide instructional material and backup support for activities of the District Education Coordinator.

(See Appendix 4. *Education Liaisons*)

Bridge Education Status Report (952-30)

Management's Bridge Education Status Report regarding the Education programs was reviewed and critique. Management will continue to present a status report at each Board meeting.

Intermediate Novice Program Report (952-31)

Management's Intermediate Novice Program Report regarding the Intermediate Novice programs was reviewed. Management will continue to present status reports on the current IN/Novice program at each Board meeting.

School Lesson Memberships (023-156)

ACBL will offer a School Lesson Membership (current price of \$5.00) to students until the age of 19 who are graduates of, or enrolled in, a School Bridge Lesson Series program funded by the ACBL and/or the ACBL Educational Foundation.

Shortened Mini Bridge Program (081-100)

The ACBL Bridge in the Schools program is expanded to include shorter mini bridge instruction for the years 2008/2009, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011.

Section I. Mini Bridge Program

- A. The School Mini Bridge program will have the same requirements and benefits as the School Bridge program except that:
 - 1) no text will be provided;
 - 2) the teachers will receive a subsidy of \$200.00 per class for eight hours of instruction and supervised play;
 - 3) the shortened mini bridge Program will be permitted through the 6th grade only.
- B. Management will advertise and promote this program through all methods used to communicate with our members and teachers including, but not limited to
 - 1) The Bridge Bulletin;
 - 2) the ACBL website;
 - 3) all newsletters used to communicate with teachers.
- C. Management will present a progress report to the Board of Directors at the Summer 2009 meeting, the Summer 2010 and the Spring 2011 meeting for the purpose of determining the feasibility of continuing the program.

Section II. Program Funding

- A. Funding will be obtained through the Marketing Department budget or other areas including the Junior Fund.
- B. The cost is expected not to exceed \$8,500 in 2008/2009, \$10,250 in 2009/2010, \$12,750 in 2010/2011.

- C. Should program participation exceed expectations in any given year so that budgeted funds are expended for the shortened course, management may choose to fund the shortfall from other sources including the Junior Fund or return to the Board of Directors to ask for additional funding.

Policy for Issuing Stipends to Bridge Teachers in Schools (103-90)

No one shall be denied the teacher stipend from the School Bridge Class program based solely on the receipt of payment from another source; however, the amount received from the School Bridge Class program when added to compensation from other sources shall not exceed US\$500.

Teacher Stipend (113-131)

A teacher must be a current ACBL member in good standing in order to receive the ACBL School Bridge Program Teacher Stipend.