

CHAPTER VII - INTERNATIONAL MATTERS

B. WBF REPRESENTATIVES

Zone 2 Representatives to the World Bridge Federation (712-73)

Representatives of Zone 2 to the World Bridge Federation need not be members of the Board of Directors. Effective immediately

Proxy for ACBL Member(s) of WBF Council (833-35)

Moved, that in the event of the incapacity, or inability to act, of any previously designated and accredited ACBL member of the WBF Executive Council, at any meeting of said Council, the Board of Directors of the American Contract Bridge League (WBF Zone II) hereby appoints and accredits, as its proxy for such missing member or members, its senior member (in length of continuous service) present at such meeting to cast the vote or votes of such missing member or members in any fashion said proxy deems proper.

Reimbursement of Expenses for WBF Representatives and ACBL Participants in International Events (923-62) (993-96)

The following is a clarification of the current regulations governing the reimbursement of expenses for WBF Representatives and ACBL participants in international events:

- A. Reimbursement of expenses of WBF representatives from ACBL General Fund
 1. Airfare - Supersaver coach fare. Should special circumstances justify it, then regular unrestricted economy class fare. In this case the Representative should present his/her ticket to support the greater expense. In addition, reasonable actual expenses for transportation to and from airports. There is no expense reimbursement for spouse/companion.
 2. Per diem - Regular ACBL per diem starting one day prior to the first meeting attended to one day after the last meeting attended. Reimbursement for per diem shall not exceed nine (9) days. Should extraordinary high cost necessitate payment of higher per diem to players from the International Fund, the Representative's per diem will be established at the same level.
 3. Hotel - Actual double occupancy room cost at headquarter hotel beginning no sooner than one day prior to the Representative's first official meeting and concluding no later than the night of the day when the last official meeting/function was held. Payment for hotel expenses shall not exceed seven (7) nights. Exception of this rule may be allowed to secure less expensive air ticket in order to achieve overall savings.

Election of WBF Representatives (962-121)

When two or more positions for WBF representative exist, the election procedure is as follows:

1. On the first ballot, each elector casts one vote. The candidate with the highest number of votes, if a majority, is elected.
2. If there is no candidate with a clear majority of the first ballot, then there will be a run-off between the top two positions plus any ties.
3. Once the first position is filled, the process is repeated for the second position.

WBF Status Report (082-67)

A report shall be presented to the Board of Directors from the ACBL Representatives to the WBF prior to each meeting of the ACBL Board. This Report shall include but not be limited to the following information:

- Any actions by the WBF regarding World Bridge that have transpired since the last meeting of the ACBL Board.
- The agenda or any actions expected to come before the WBF prior to the next meeting of the ACBL Board.
- Financial information such as budgets, operating statements and balance sheets including explanations of unusual expenses.
- The assignments that ACBL representatives have in the WBF.
- Any compensation, reimbursement or benefits from the WBF to any ACBL Board of Directors member.

This report should be e-mailed to the ACBL Board of Directors at least 15 days prior to any ACBL Board meetings, or it may be included in the Journal.