# Minutes of the ACBL Board of Governors San Francisco, CA November 25, 2012

Mike Kovacich, Chairman of the Board of Governors, called the meeting to order on Sunday, November 25, 2012 at 9:06 a.m.

## **Opening Remarks**

Chairman Kovacich welcomed the new members of the Board of Governors.

## **Approval of Minutes**

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Philadelphia, PA meeting held July 14, 2012 are approved.

Carried.

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## **CEO's Report**

Robert Hartman presented the CEO's report. (See board exhibits)

## **League Counsel's Report**

Peter Rank presented the League Counsel's report. (See board exhibits)

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Rand Pinsky, ACBL Treasurer, presented the Treasurer's report.

## **Chairman's Report**

Chairman Kovacich presented his report on the meeting of the Board of Directors. (See Board Minutes)

#### **Motions for Reconsideration**

Moved and seconded that the ACBL Board of Directors reconsider Item 123-45 Grass Roots FUNd Month.

Carried.

Moved and seconded that the ACBL Board of Directors reconsider Item 122-110 Playing Directors in STaCs. The Chair ruled the motion out of order and a motion was made and passed to allow playing directors to receive overall awards at sponsor option.

Moved and seconded that the ACBL Board of Directors reconsider Item 123-170 New Events at NABCs aka NABC 10K events or NABC 10K/10P events.

Carried with four negative votes.

### **Old Business**

There was no old business.

## **New Business**

Moved and seconded that the Board of Governors rewrite Chapter 4, Section 1, paragraph 3 of the ACBL Rules and Regulations to be consistent with the failure to pass item 122-80.

Carried.

Moved and seconded that the Board of Governors recommends that all aspects of online masterpoints including robot games should be investigated and reviewed. Carried.

Moved and seconded that the Board of Governors recommends changing the minimum age for ACBL sanctioned senior events to 60 years of age. There are no "grandfathering" provisions for currently eligible seniors under the age of 60.

Effective as soon as possible

Carried.

Moved and seconded that the upper MP limit for Gold Rush Games be changed to 500.

Motion Failed.

Moved and seconded that the Board of Governors recommends that the ACBL Board of Directors look into having a charity event that would benefit the victims of hurricane Sandy.

Carried.

Kovacich announced that the next Board of Governors meeting will be held at 10 a.m. on March 17, 2011 in St. Louis, MO.

#### **Elections**

Richard Anderson (District 18), Chris Compton (District 16), and Ellen Kent (District 25) had previously declared their candidacies. There were no other declarations of candidacy. Nominations were closed. By secret ballot Richard Anderson was elected as ACBL Chairman of the Board of Governors office for a two-year term beginning January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2015.

Effective January 1, 2013

Barry Harper (District 18) and Richard Popper (District 4) had previously declared their candidacies. There were no other declarations of candidacy. Nominations were closed. By secret ballot Barry Harper was elected as Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors office for a two-year term beginning January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2015.

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## **Approval of New Life Masters**

Moved by Sandy DeMartino, and seconded by all, that all members who have achieved Life Master Status (#98,997 to ) will be designated as Life Masters.

Carried unanimously.

#### **Thanks for Hospitality**

It was moved by Sandy DeMartino and carried unanimously that the Board of Governors expresses their thanks to District 21 and its units, District Director Bruce Blakely and Tournament Chair Jim Leuker and all of the other chairpersons and numerous volunteers. We also wish to thank the San Francisco Marriott Marquis for its fine cooperation.

There being no further business, the Board of Governors adjourned *sine die* at 11:53 a.m.