

Item 131-85: Chapter V A. - Administration and Policy Rescinded

CHAPTER V - CHARITY

A. ADMINISTRATION AND POLICY/CHARITY FOUNDATION

The ACBL Charity Foundation as a Self-Supporting, Independent Organization (741-21)(031-15) See V – Sec A 1.1

The ACBL Charity Foundation shall become a self- supporting, organization, paying all its own expenses without exception, and reimbursing the League for any and all expenses incurred on behalf of the Foundation. The ACBL Charity Foundation is to renegotiate financial arrangements with the Canadian Charitable Fund. No inequity to the Canadian Charitable Fund shall result from this action. Effective January 1, 1974.
(See Appendix 1. *Charity Foundation ByLaws*)

Tournament Director Fees for Charity Pair Games at NABCs (913-58) *Obsolete*

The ACBL shall absorb the cost of providing tournament directors for the Charity games that are held on the Thursday evening prior to the commencement of each NABC

Calculation of Shares of Income Due to International Fund and ACBL Charity Foundation from the Tables in Play at International Fund/Charity Fund Day at NABCs (913-62) *Obsolete*

Upon reviewing historical data, it has been determined that on the average \$6.00 per table has been remitted to the respective funds in the past. In order to avoid making time consuming calculations in the future, \$6.00 for each table in play during International/Charity Fund sessions shall be paid to the respective funds. This calculation shall be used beginning with the 1991 Spring NABC

Request for Foundations and Bridge Ventures (951-33) *Rescinded by 032-50*

33A: Condensed annual financial statements from the Charity Foundation, Educational Foundation and Bridge Ventures shall be made available.

33B: Moved and seconded, that the recommendation that at least one member of the Board of Governors serve on the Charity Foundation Board of Trustees and on the Educational Foundation Board of Directors is hereby referred to the Charity Foundation and the Educational Foundation.

ACBL CHARITY FOUNDATION *Rescinded by 032-50*

Administrative Duties Performed in Memphis

Accounting Services:

1. Provide for the collection, deposit and accounting of donations and game receipts submitted by individuals, clubs/units/district and NABC events.
2. Provide cash distribution procedures to facilitate the payment of Foundation's grants, special funding and NABC-held event expenditures. All distributions are subject to prior Foundation authorization.

3. ACBL Accounting Department will prepare monthly bank account reconciliations, cash receipts journal, trial balance and trimester financial statements. The monthly trial balance will be mailed to the Foundation Treasurer with copies of the various bank/brokerage statements. Trimester financial statements will be mailed to the Treasurer for distribution at each of the three Meetings.
4. Management, in association with Foundation trustees, will secure the services of an outside professional audit firm to conduct annual audits of the accounts.
5. Annual tax fillings will be made by ACBL Accounting Department.

Administrative Services:

1. Respond to all donations with a Foundation-approved letter of acknowledgment and appreciation.
2. Correspond with potential grant recipients to request information to be presented at the three Board Meetings. Respond to individual and corporate inquiries concerning grant and payment status.
3. Perform as meeting secretary at all Board Meetings, preparing the pre-meeting agenda, taking the minutes during the meeting and distributing copies of the final approved minutes.
4. Assist in the conducting of the Charity Gala event by collecting admissions, decorating the banquet room and placing Gala advertising literature throughout the playing area.
5. Provide free salaried ACBL Directors and schedule other directors needed for the play of the Charity Bridge Night Game. Fees and accounting for the entries associated with the Charity Night are maintained by ACBL directors and submitted to Headquarters for deposit to the Charity account.
6. Sanction all Charity games for ACBL, Districts and Units.

Item 131-86: Chapter V B. National Charity Committee Rescinded

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B. NATIONAL CHARITY COMMITTEE

Composition of National Charity Committee (723-11) *See V Sec A 2.1*

The regulation that each member of the ACBL Board of Directors appoints two members of his District to the National Charity Committee--specifically one man and one woman--is amended to delete the words "specifically one man and one woman".

Effective immediately.

National Charity Committee (762-21) (973-44) *See V A 2.1*

The regulation that appointments to the National Charity Committee be for a one-year term is rescinded. All such appointments shall be lifetime.

Item 131-87: Chapter V C. Clubs

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C. CLUBS (*Now B in new Code*)

Charity Program (721-1, 2) (721-1, 2B) *See V B Sec. 1.1*

Club Charity Tournaments run for the Charity Foundation or the Canadian Charitable Fund shall include a payment by the club to the ACBL Charity Foundation or the Canadian Charitable Fund of a minimum of \$1.00 per player. Each club shall be permitted to charge whatever entry fee it believes will cover its costs, plus a satisfactory overage. Effective July 1, 1972.

District and Continent-Wide Charity Games (022-149) *See V C Sec. 3*

Item 021-131 is amended as follows:

- A. 1. Overall masterpoints will be awarded in Continent-wide Charity Games and in Continent-Wide International Fund games that use hand records and for which National and District winners are determined and published in the ACBL Bulletin.
 2. Overall masterpoints will be awarded in District-Wide Charity Games that use hand records and for which District winners are determined.
- B. In addition to District overall awards, Continent-wide overall winners will be determined and overall masterpoints awarded.
- C. Overall point awards will be red points with amounts and depth of awards as recommended by the Masterpoint Committee and approved by the ACBL Board of Directors.

Special Games at Clubs Committee (042-139) (072-56) *Obsolete*

The Special Games at Clubs report is approved.

Changes to current policy are:

1. April is designated as Charity month.

September is designated as International Fund month.

Any and all ACBL sanctioned sessions may be held as a Junior Fund game, Charity game, Educational Foundation game or International Fund game, except February is reserved for Junior Fund games, April is reserved for Charity games and September is reserved for International Fund games.

The masterpoint rating for Charity games, Educational Foundation games, International Fund games and Club Appreciation Pair games (October) is increased to 100% Sectional Black points.

The masterpoint rating for the ACBL-wide Senior Pairs is increased to 80% Sectional rating and the sanction fee is increased to \$4.00 per table (from \$2.25).

The NABC Fund Raiser is now the NABC Promotional Game. The district sets the promotional fee if any.

(See Appendix 3, Chapter VI, Special Games at Clubs)

Charity Game Requirements for ACBL Sanctioned Clubs (063-25) See V B 1.3

- A. Clubs are not required to run a charity game for the benefit of the ACBL Charity Foundation or the CBF Charitable Fund. See V B 1.2
- B. The first ACBL sanctioned charity game, if any, plus at least every other subsequent game conducted by a club in a calendar year must be for the benefit of the ACBL Charity Foundation or, in Canada, the CBF Charitable Fund. ACBL sanctioned charity games not required to be run for the benefit of the ACBL Charity Foundation or the CBF Charitable Fund may be for the benefit of any governmentally-recognized charity, charity foundation or charity fund.

Charity Games in Clubs (101-55) See V B 2.1.3.1

Any club that, in any calendar year, runs one or more allowed special local charity games that are sanctioned for extra masterpoints must make available for public inspection an accounting of all funds raised in such games no later than February 28th of the following calendar year.

Item 131-88: Chapter V D – Units and Districts

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D. UNITS AND DISTRICTS *This is C in new code.*

Sanction Fees and Masterpoint Awards for Unit and District Sponsored Charity Games (732-63) (003-105) (011-17) Obsolete

Each Unit is entitled to hold **four** charity events annually. The first **and third, if any**, event must be for the benefit of the ACBL Charity Foundation or the CBL Charity Fund. The second **and fourth, if any** event may be for the ACBL Charity Foundation or, the CBF Charitable Fund or for a local beneficiary. For the ACBL Charity Foundation or the CBF Charitable Fund, the events may be one or two sessions. For a local beneficiary, the event may be two sessions only if the first event for the ACBL Charity Foundation or for the CBF Charitable Fund was two sessions. In addition, Units and Districts may conduct a charity event (of one or two sessions) in conjunction with each Sectional or Regional Tournament. All Unit or District Charity events held for the benefit of the ACBL Charity Foundation or the CBF Charitable Fund shall carry Sectional rating, and require a minimum payment to the appropriate foundation of **\$1.50** per player per session. Unit sponsored charity games held for a local beneficiary, when held at a Sectional tournament, shall carry awards of **100%** of Sectional rating, and require a minimum payment to the local charity of \$1.40 per player per session. Unit or District sponsored charity games held for a local beneficiary, when held at a Regional tournament, shall carry awards of 100% of Regional rating, and require a minimum payment to

the local charity of \$1.50 per player per session. **All other Unit or District sponsored Charity events held for a local beneficiary shall carry awards of 100% of Sectional rating, and require a minimum payment to the local charity of \$1.20 per player per session and a sanction fee of \$1.20 per table per session to the ACBL.** Each Unit/District shall be permitted to charge whatever entry fee it believes will cover its costs, plus a satisfactory overage. Events held at Sectional and Regional tournaments to benefit charity are not excluded from the appropriate per table sanction fee.

Equal Basis for Unit Charity Events Held for Local Charities and Those Held for League Charity Foundation (751-111) *Obsolete*

The request of the Board of Governors to allow Units to run charity games for local charities (IRS-approved), selected by the Unit, on an equal basis with charity games held for ACBL Charity Foundation with respect to masterpoint awards, is approved. Effective as soon as it can be properly implemented by Management, but before the next meeting of the Board of Directors. (This item was approved by the Charity Committee at the 1974 Fall Meeting.)

Districtwide Charity Games (761-2) *Obsolete Replaced by 073-181*

Each District is granted an annual one session sectionally- rated District-Wide charity game to be held at multiple sites on the same date. Master Point awards will be based on the number of tables in play at each site and participants shall contribute a minimum of \$1.50 to either the ACBL Charity Foundation or the Canadian Charitable Fund. All games must start at approximately the same time. Hand records and analyses will be provided free of charge. Effective immediately.

District Charity Program (823-66) *Obsolete*

Management shall review the current method of recording Charity contributions in each District for the purpose of recognition and credit in comparison to other Districts. All contributions to Charity resulting from club, Unit or District efforts and whether turned over to the ACBL Charity Foundation, the Canadian Charity Trust or to a local qualified Charity, shall be reported to League Headquarters. This includes monies raised through direct contributions (memorials, for example), special fund-raising promotions, entry fees at sanctioned games, etc. Effective as soon as can be implemented by Management.

Charity Games at Sectionals and Regionals (831-68) *Replaced by 073-181*

In addition to the current regulations for sanction-free Charity games at Sectionals and Regionals, at the option of the Sponsoring Organization, midnight and/or morning games may be designated Charity games and will receive Sectional rating provided appropriate sanction fees are paid the ACBL; and the appropriate Charity Foundation, or tax exempt local charity, receives at least \$6.00 per table. Effective as soon as can be implemented by Management.

District-Wide Charity Games (893-85) *Replaced by 073-181*

Districts are allowed to hold charity games under the same rules and regulations as Units.

District Charity Week (913-31)) *Obsolete*

Effective January 1, 1992, each District may conduct an Annual District Charity Week and/or District-wide Charity Game.

Item 073-181 Changes to Masterpoint Formula, is amended to read as follows: *See V C Sec 1.*

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Replace all Unit or District Charity Games with one class of Fund or Foundation games. There will be a maximum of 4/year per Unit and 4/year per District. The fee structure will be the same as special Fund or Foundation games at clubs. Any of the four allotted sessions may be held as a Junior Fund game, Charity game, Educational Foundation game or International Fund game, except February is reserved for Junior Fund games, April is reserved for Charity games and September is reserved for International Fund games.
Effective immediately.
Carried unanimously

Unit Special Games (012-133) *Obsolete*

Each ACBL-sanctioned Unit will be allowed during Junior Month in February to hold one Sectional-rated game to benefit the Junior Fund, and a Unit will be allowed to hold one Sectional-rated Charity/International Fund game during each ACBL Charity/International Fund week, provided either that the Unit is sanctioned to hold a game on the date and session requested, or that there are no clubs within a 25 mile radius of the Unit game site that regularly hold a game on the date and session requested.

Charity Game Fees (041-141) *Obsolete*

2. The ACBL Board is requested to increase District/Unit Charity table fees an additional \$1.00 per table. District/Unit Charity table fees will go from \$6.00 to \$7.00 U.S., and equivalent amount in Canadian.

Item 103-135 - *See V C Sec 1*

Item 073-181 Changes to Masterpoint Formula, is amended to read as follows:

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Replace all Unit or District Charity Games with one class of Fund or Foundation games. There will be a maximum of 4/year per Unit and 4/year per District. The fee structure will be the same as special Fund or Foundation games at clubs. Any of the four allotted sessions may be held as a Junior Fund game, Charity game, Educational Foundation game or International Fund game, except February is reserved for Junior Fund games, April is reserved for Charity games and September is reserved for International Fund games.
Effective immediately.
Carried unanimously.

Item 131- 89: Chapter V E. Educational Foundation - Rescinded

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E. EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION *Now D in New Code*

NABC Educational Foundation Games (002-162) See V D Sec 1

- A. The NABC opening night Charity game shall be renamed the Educational Foundation game with all net proceeds from that game going to the ACBL Educational Foundation.
- B. The NABC designated Charity day/session (\$6.00 per table) shall be renamed the Educational Foundation day/session with the entire Charity portion from that day/session going to the ACBL Educational Foundation. *Obsolete*
- C. ACBL will charge The Educational Foundation for administrative services costs.(See V D Sec. 1)

(See Appendix 2. *Educational Foundation ByLaws*)

Educational / International Fund NABC Day (062-40) *Obsolete*

The day at NABCs designated as Educational Foundation day / International Fund day will be eliminated.

Effective date: January 1, 2007