

**ACBL Board of Directors
St. Louis, MO
March 11 – 14, 2013**

The meeting was called to order by President Donald Mamula on Monday, March 11, at 9 a.m.

Present: Leo Weniger, #1, Paul Janicki #2, Craig Robinson #4, Sharon Fairchild #5, Margot Hennings #6, Bob Heller #7, Georgia Heth #8, Shirley Seals #9, Bill Cook #10, Beth Reid #11, William Arlinghaus #12, Suzi Subeck #13, Sharon Anderson #14, Phyllis Harlan #15, Dan Morse #16, Bonnie Bagley #17, Claire Jones #18, Donald Mamula #19, Merlin Vilhauer #20, Bruce Blakely #21, Ken Monzingo #22, Rand Pinsky #23, Al Levy #24, and Richard DeMartino #25.

Absent: Glenda Calkins, District #3. Carlos Munoz, Second Alternate #3.

Also

Present: Richard Anderson, Chairman Board of Governors, Peter Rank, League Counsel, Robert Hartman, CEO, Jeff Johnston, Jim Miller, Carol Robertson, Bruce Knoll, Bryan Delfs, Joe Jones, Ken Horwedel, Sam Whitten, Solly Weinstein, Natasha Brown, Pat Rogoski, Sylvia Hardin and Kelley McGuire, Secretary.

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Approval of San Francisco Minutes

The Fall 2012 San Francisco, CA minutes are approved.

Carried unanimously.

Approval of Non Agenda items

- Motion for consideration of non-agenda item, Check-signing, is assigned to Governance.

Reconsideration Items

131-57 10K Swiss – Tournaments

Motion to reconsider carried.

131-58 Chapter X Section A Sectionals – Tournaments

Motion to reconsider carried.

ACBL CEO Report

The report of CEO Robert Hartman is received. (Attachment A)

League Counsel Report

The report of League Counsel Peter Rank on the status of litigation is received. (Attachment B)

Executive Committee Minutes

The minutes of the Executive Committee meetings were ratified.

MINUTES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS January 21, 2013

The Executive Committee met January 21, 2013 at 11 a.m. CST, by conference call, to approve the following:

Present at the meeting were members of the Executive Committee, Donald Mamula, President, Sharon Anderson, Chairman, Sharon Fairchild, Phyllis Harlan and Rand Pinsky.

Also present were Robert Hartman, CEO, Jeff Johnston, Bryan Delfs and Kelley McGuire, Secretary.

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RE: Junior Reception in St. Louis, MO

Moved that the Executive Committee affirms Management in the establishment of a junior midnight game in lieu of a junior reception at the Spring NABC to be held in St. Louis,

MO, March 2013. Entry fee shall be waived for all juniors and masterpoints shall be per formula.

Carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

**MINUTES
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
February 18, 2013**

The Executive Committee met February 18, 2013 at 11 a.m. CST, by conference call, to approve the following:

Present at the meeting were members of the Executive Committee, Donald Mamula, President, Sharon Anderson, Chairman, Sharon Fairchild, Phyllis Harlan and Rand Pinsky.

Also present were Robert Hartman, CEO, Sam Whitten, Jim Miller and Kelley McGuire, Secretary.

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RE: Appointment of NABC Seeding and Appeals Chairmen

The Executive Committee ratifies the presidential appointments of David Berkowitz as NABC Seeding Chairman for 2013 and Michael Huston as NABC Appeals Chairman for 2013.

Carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Item 131-166: Election of ACBL Treasurer

Rand Pinsky is elected ACBL treasurer for a one-year term May 1, 2013 through April 30, 2014.

Effective May 1, 2013

Item 131-167: Hall of Fame Committee Appointment

Karen Allison, Nader Hanna and Eddie Wold are appointed for three-year terms from the end of the Spring 2013 NABC through the end of the Spring 2016 NABC.

Effective Spring 2013 NABC.

Item 131-168: Competitions & Conventions Committee Appointment

Joan Gerard, Bob Hamman, Barry Harper, and Jeff Meckstroth are appointed for one-year terms from the end of the Spring 2013 NABC through the end of the Spring 2014 NABC.

Jeff Goldsmith is appointed for a three-year term from the end of the Spring 2013 NABC through the end of the Spring 2016 NABC.

Effective Spring 2013 NABC.

Item 131-169: Ethical Oversight Committee Appointment

Robb Gordon, Mike Kamil, Jan Martel, Hendrik Sharples and Jerry Helms are appointed for three-year terms from the end of the Spring 2013 NABC through the end of the Spring 2016 NABC.

Effective Spring 2013 NABC.

Item 131-170: ACBL Disciplinary Committee Appointment

Chris Moll, Jeff Overby, and William Schreiber are appointed for three-year terms from the end of the Spring 2013 NABC through the end of the Spring 2016 NABC.

Effective Spring 2013 NABC.

Item 131-171: ACBL Laws Commission Appointment

Chris Compton, Matt Koltnow and Chip Martel are appointed for five-year terms from the end of the Spring 2013 NABC through the end of the Spring 2018 NABC.

Effective Spring 2013 NABC.

Item 131-172: Goodwill Committee Co-Chair Appointments

Sandy Arlinghaus (East), Carol Hamilton (South), Joo-Hee Janicki (Eastern Canada), Janise Saul (Midwest), Roger Smith (Southwest) and Marilyn Vilhauer (Northwest) are appointed as Co-Chairs to the Aileen Osofsky ACBL Goodwill Committee.

Effective immediately.

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The meeting was called to order by President Donald Mamula on Wednesday, March 13, 2013 at 8:30 a.m.

Present: Same as Monday, March 11, with addition of Carlos Munoz, Second Alternate District #3.

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NABC SITE ADVISORY	
Johnston (C) Blakely, Heller, Hennings, Subeck Committee Report by Chairman	Staff: Johnston

An oral report was given.

APPEALS & CHARGES	
Blakely (C) Heth (VC-Hearing) Bagley, Fairchild, Hennings, Pinsky, Seals, Subeck Committee Report by Chairman	Staff: Miller

Item 131-01: CDR District Appeal

Section 7.1.2 of the ACBL Code of Disciplinary Regulations is amended as follows:

- 7.1.2 Written notice of appeal must be made within thirty (30) days following the mailing of the written notice of the ruling being appealed. In order for an appeal to be granted by the District Appellate Chairperson and considered by the District Appellate Committee, a written statement,

which shall provide an allegation that at least one (1) of the following exists, must accompany the appeal...

Effective as soon as can be implemented.

Carried unanimously.

BRIDGE	
DeMartino (C) Arlinghaus, Blakely, Hennings, Heller, Janicki, Jones, Levy, Monzingo, Morse, Pinsky, Robinson, Subeck, Vilhauer	Staff: Whitten
Committee Report by Chairman	

131-21: ACBL Alert Chart

The ACBL Alert Chart is amended as follows:

1. A weak jump shift by advancer is not alertable. Advancer is defined as the partner of an overcaller.
2. All 2D responses to a strong 2C opening are non-alertable.

Effective January 1, 2014.

Carried. Nay: 21

131-22: ACBL Convention Chart

The ACBL Convention Chart is amended as follows:

1. Item #5 of the Disallowed section of the ACBL Superchart is amended to read, "Opening one bids which by partnership agreement could show fewer than 8 HCP in first and second seat (Not applicable to a psych)."
2. The ACBL Mid-Chart is amended to add an additional numbered paragraph, Opening weak 2D or 2H opening bid showing at least 5-4 in the majors, if the five-card suit is known. (2)
3. The ACBL Mid-Chart is amended to add an additional numbered paragraph, Opening weak 2D or 2H opening bid showing at least 5-4 in the majors, if the five-card suit is unknown. (6)
4. The ACBL Mid-Chart is amended to add an additional numbered paragraph, Opening weak 2H bid showing 5-5 (or more) in hearts and any other suit. (2)

5. The ACBL Mid-Chart is amended to add an additional numbered paragraph, Opening weak 2S bid showing 5-5 (or more) in spades and a minor. (2)

Effective January 1, 2014.

Carried unanimously.

131-23: ACBL General Conditions of Contest

The ACBL General Conditions of Contest is amended as follows:

A vugraph operator is allowed to point out an incorrectly scored result to the players or director. It is not intended to apply to situations involving a revoke, claim, or concession.

Effective January 1, 2014.

Carried. Nay: 2, 6, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 22, 23.

GOVERNANCE	
Heth (C) Harlan (VC) Bagley, Munoz, Cook, Fairchild, Reid, Seals, Weniger Committee Report by Chairman	Staff: Miller

Item 131-80: ACBL Disciplinary & Ethical Oversight Hearing

Chapter I. F. 5.1 and 5.2 is amended as follows:

Section 5 - ACBL Disciplinary or Ethical Oversight Hearing Committee

5.1 When unable to seat a five-person hearing committee from among the membership of the ACBL Disciplinary Committee, the chairperson of the ACBL Disciplinary Committee may solicit members of the hearing committee from among the members of the ACBL Ethical Oversight Committee. If it still necessary to find additional committee members, the chairman may nominate, subject to the ACBL President's approval, other ACBL members in good standing to serve.

5.2 When unable to seat a five-person hearing committee from among the membership of the Ethical Oversight Committee, the chairperson of the Ethical Oversight Committee may select members of the hearing committee from among the membership of the ACBL Disciplinary Committee. If it still necessary to find additional committee members, the chairman may nominate, subject to the ACBL President's approval, other ACBL members in good standing to serve.

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 131-82: Game Sanction Rewrite

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

Effective immediately.

Motion failed.

Item 131-84: Chapter V. Sections A, B, C and D

Chapter V – Charity, Foundations and Special Funds chapter of the Codification is approved. (Attachment C)

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

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

The following items listed in the current Codification Chapter V A. Administration and Policy are rescinded:

741-21, 913-58, 913-62 and 031-15. (Attachment D)

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

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

The following items listed in the current Codification Chapter V B. National Charity Committee are rescinded:

723-11, 762-21 and 973-44. (Attachment D)

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 131-87: Chapter V. C. Clubs Rescinded

The following items listed in the current Codification Chapter V C Clubs are rescinded:

721-2B, 022-149, 042-139, 072-56, 063-25 and 101-55. (Attachment D)

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 131-88: Chapter V. D. Units & Districts Rescinded

The following items listed in the current Codification Chapter V D. Units and Districts are rescinded:

732-63, 751-111, 761-2, 823-66, 831-68, 913-31, 003-105, 011-17, 012-133, 041-141, 073-181 and 103-135. (Attachment D)

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

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

The following items listed in the current Codification Chapter V E. Educational Foundation are rescinded:

002-162 and 062-40 (Attachment D)

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 131-90: Chapter VIII. Sections A, B, C, D, E, F, G and H

Chapter VIII of the Codification is approved. (Attachment E)

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 131-91: Chapter VIII. A. ACBL/Host Organization Rescinded

The following items listed in the current Codification Chapter VIII A are rescinded:

832-61, 883-61, 893-63, 962-180, 863-174, 963-104, 963-108, 871-49, 022-300.
(Attachment F)

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 131-92: Chapter VIII. B. Sites Rescinded

The following items listed in the current Codification Chapter VIII B are rescinded:

922-72, 921-66, 933-72, 942-85, 943-66, 971-48, 971-178, 981-199. (Attachment F)

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 131-93: Chapter VIII. C. Finance Rescinded

The following items listed in the current Codification Chapter VIII C are rescinded:

832-61, 901-55, 981-141, 911-73, 982-41, 913-92, 093-8, 913-97, 913-58, 942-21, 973-198, 952-110, 933-85, 983-37, 013-53, 983-196A, 983-196, 991-132, 993-98, 0012-40, 022-44, 042-151, 073-150, 073-151. (Attachment F)

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 131-94: Chapter VIII. D. Events / Schedule Rescinded

The following items listed in the current Codification Chapter VIII D are rescinded:

741-65, 761-84, 761-91, 722-80, 803-91, 803-92, 811-153, 822-74, 823-72, 832-62, 871-83, 871-128, 892-64, 913-96, 942-66, 942-70, 971-140, 971-174, 972-191, 972-194, 993-132, 993-84, 001-122, 001-125, 003-82, 003-121, 003-126, 013-147, 011-145, 021-145, 021-151, 023-115, 003-121, 032-87, 032-91, 032-93, 032-95, 032-101, 032-65, 033-155, 042-123, 061-43, 062-76, 072-91, 083-120, 091-34, 091-178, 092-36, 101-110, 102-111, 102-137, 102-51, 043-120, 102-49, 111-37. (Attachment F)

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 131-95: VIII. E. Operations Rescinded

The following items listed in the current Codification Chapter VIII E are rescinded:

772-74, 823-77, 871-35, 882-73, 883-84, 901-65, 913-45, 913-94, 913-95, 913-98, 923-82, 931-85, 933-59, 933-84, 941-75, 941-75, 903-75A, 942-47, 942-81, 943-76, 953-123, 962-65, 962-189, 963-104, 991-136, 993-234, 002-121, 002-126, 003-197, 022-40, 031-50, 032-47, 032-98, 032-117, 033-118, 081-86, 081, 093-164, 112-42, 083-30, 112-88. (Attachment F)

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 131-96: Chapter VIII. F. Rules & Regulations NABC+ Events Rescinded

The following items listed in the current Codification Chapter VIII F are rescinded:

721-42, 823-76, 843-52, 851-41, 871-81, 872-131, 903-123, 912-71, 741791-83, 803-91, 823-71, 831-65, 833, 853-81, 863-66, 871-105, 872-98, 872-122, 902-46, 903-53, 873-82, 873-114, 873-89, 901-111, 911-69, 911-74, 912-71, 912 EX, 921-117, 922, 941-79, 942-83, 873-90B, 952-118, 953-104, 961-106, 971-140, 972-206, 993-133, 993-138, 003-126, 031-50, 032-47, 052-69, 111-36. (Attachment F)

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 131-97: Chapter VIII. G. Masterpoints for NABC+ Events Rescinded

The following items listed in the current Codification Chapter VIII G are rescinded:

943-70B, 951-47. (Attachment F)

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 131-98: Chapter VIII. H. Appeals & Recorders Rescinded

The following items listed in the current Codification Chapter VIII H are rescinded:

713-32, 761-92, 911-73, 943-69, 952-1, 961-110, 911-73, 982-41, 973-02, 982-03, 983-02, 992-02, 053-54. (Attachment F)

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 131-99: Chapter VIII Rescinded Items

The following items listed in Chapter Eight of the Brown Pages are rescinded:

Section A - 721-1, 721-2, 723-32, 751-21, 762-23, 772-21, 823-66, 913-31, 951-30

Section C – 751-25, 761-3

Section D - 761-1, 863-76, 042-139

Section E – 871-23, 882-26

Section F – 721-2B, 722-33, 755-53

Section H – 992-190, 041-41B. (Attachment F)

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 131-100: Charity Rescinded Items

The following items from Charity Chapters V and VIII of the Brown pages are rescinded:

721-1, 721-2, 722-32, 741-21, 741, 751-21, 762-23, 772-21, 823-66, 913-31, 912-42,

913-58, 913-913-96, 951-30, 723, 762-21, 973-44, 742, 743-11, 751-22, 753-11, 761-1
762-32, 863-76, 903-73, 042-139, 732-63, 32-65, 751-111 761-2 831-68 871-23 882-26
893-85 003-105, 011-17, 721-1, 2B, 722-33, 722-53.

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 131-101: Chapter IV Rescinded Items

The following motions from the Brown pages regarding NABC tournaments are rescinded:

Chapter 4A – 711-93, 712-21, 713-31, 713-32, 713-32A, 772-73A, 732-42, 732-44, 732-45, 732-48, 732-75B, 733-112, 741, 741-65, 742-22, 751-92, 751-93, 751-94, 752-21, 752-75, 752-77, 761-92, 761-84, 763-84, 772-61, 772-75, 772-76, 772-77, 772-80, 782-71, 791-83, 792-116, 802-121, 803-32, 803-91, 811-61B, 811-151, 812-22, 812-102, 813-91, 813-96, 813-97, 822-74, 823-72, 823-77, 831-65, 832-61, 832-62, 833-22, 833-24, 833-25, 833-49, 833, 841-11, 841-44, 842-31, 843-24, 851-19, 851-43, 852-22, 852-41B, 852-51, 861-21H, 862-21, 862-22, 862-32, 862-71, 862-72, 862-108, 863-61, 863-66, 863-91, 863-128, 871-35, 871-44, 871-83, 871-105, 871-122, 872-42, 872-122, 873-82, 873-90B, 873-111, 873-114, 882-34A, 882-41, 882-73, 883-61, 883-73, 883-84, 883-104, 891-64, 891-65, 891-68, 891-69, 892-61, 892-62, 892-63, 892-64, 892-65, 892-66, 892-68, 892-69, 892-71, 893-61-1, 893-64, 893-65, 893-67, 893-68, 893-69, 893-70, 901-55, 901-62, 901-64, 901-65, 901-66, 901-69, 901-111, 901-112, 902, 902-51, 903-75A, 911-43, 911-72, 911-73, 911-74, 912, 912-71, 912-72, 912-73, 912-76, 913-94, 913-95, 913-96, 913-97, 913-98, 913-41, 913-45, IN913, 913-92, 913-58, 913-62, 913-41, 921, 921-61, 921-62, 921-71, 921-117, 921-119, 922-119, 922-31, 922-32, 923-103, 923-43, 923-80, 923-81, 923-82, 923-83, 931, 931-85, 933-59, 933-83, 933-84, 933-85, 933-89, 933-96, 941-24, 941-75, 941-76, 941-79, 943-63, 942-66, 942-70, 942-73, 942-76, 942-81, 942-82, 942-83, 942-85, 942-47, 842-21, 943-53, 943-75, 943-76, 951-79, 951-84, 953-113, 961-106, 961-110, 962-65, 962-180, 962-189, 962-105, 963-66, 963-172, 971-49, 972-170, 972-173, 972-191, 972-194, 972-205, 972-214, 972-216, 973-191, 973-198, 973-203, 981-194, 983-37, 991-151, 993-235, 993-132, 001-121, 001-122, 001-125, 003-55, 003-197, 003-82, 003-121, 003-122, 011-148, 012-149, 013-145, 021-230, 023-115, 023-116, 032-47, 032-47, 033-111, 033-118, 041-50, 041-151, 042-151, 062-40, 072-107, 072-90, 073-151, 081, 083-102, 083-30, 091-34, 092-76, 093-164, 101-110, 111-37, 112-88, 112-41, 112-42, 112-43, 112-51, 113-25, 113-55, 122-26.

Chapter 4B – 711-92, 732-52, 742-23, 751-99A, 751-101, 752-85, 752-91, 753-73, 763-101, 772-78, 783-63, 791-82, 792-91, 802-102, 802-200, 802-201, 803-98, 803-99, 803-101, 803-103, 803-122, 813-94, 813-122, 821-82, 821-84, 822-71, 822-78, 831-61, 831-62, 832-68, 832-69, 833-46, 833-101, 841-42, 851-71, 852-53, 861-71, 861-72, 862-73, 863-64, 863-65, 871-127, 873-96, 872-99, 873-84, 873-87, 881-71, 882-76A, 883-78, 833-79, 883-82, 833-83, 883-110, 891-66, 892-84, 893-73, 901-67, 901-70, 902-56, 902-

112, 903-63, 903-66, 911-78, 912-74, 912-77, 913-94, 913-99, 913-127, 913-128, 913-129, 921, 921-63, 921-65, 921-68, 921-69, 921-70, 921-71, 921-42, 921-113, 921-114, 921-115, 921-120, 922-73, 922-74, 922-118, 922-51, 923-125, 923-141, 923-72, 923-74, 923-78, 923-79, 931-75, 931-77, 931-80, 931-82, 931-88, 933, 933-81, 933-82, 933-86, 933-91, 933-92, 933-94, 941-62, 941-64, 941-80, 941-81, 941-87, 942-77, 942-78, 942-22, 942-25, 943-68, 951-51, 951-54, 953-100, 953-105, 962-175, 972-207, 973-205, 981-195, 982-173, 983-192, 992-132, 992-133, 003-129, 011-260, 011-152, 012-146, 021-306, 032-76, 032-112, 033-68, 033-123, 071-80, 072-92, 092-162, 102-141, 112-56.

Chapter 4C – 712-96, 781-96.

Chapter 4D – 712-95, 713-73, 722-41, 723-62, 743-53, 811-155, 843-104, 851-44, 871-126, 872-97, 872-136B, 873-112A, 873-113, 881-41, 881-105, 883-110, 893-106, 913-127, 913-128, 913-129, 933-87, 941-63, 941-65, 941-68, 942-80, 943-61, 943-73, 951-51B, 951-52, 951-55, 952-116, 953-126, 961-99, 962-136, 971-116, 972-211, 973-118, 991-61, 992-303, 003-63, 011-147, 053-50, 091-160, 092-160, 092-164, 103-161, 103-162, 111-38, 112-55.

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Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

The NABC 10K Pairs will be played the first Saturday and Sunday of the Summer NABC.

Deferred to the 2013 Summer meeting in Atlanta, GA.

Deferral carried. Nay: 9, 10, 14, 22. Abstain: 7

Item 131-52: ACBL Membership Requirements ACBL Tournament Participation

Item 1:

The ACBL Codification is amended as follows:

Chapter XIII, Section C:

All participants of NABC+ and NABC events must be ACBL Members whose membership dues or service fees are current.

Effective immediately.

Carried. Nay: 12, 20.

Item 2

The ACBL Codification is amended as follows:

Chapter IX, Section B, Subsection 3:

4. NON- DUES PAYING PLAYERS

Except for charity events, or events limited to players with no more than 20 masterpoints:

- d. For all regionals, the sponsoring organization will charge a mandatory additional fee of at least \$4.00 per person per session for non-members and non-service fee paying LMs.
- e. The additional fee shall be retained by the sponsoring organization.

Chapter X, Section B, Subsection 1, c:

- 1) Except for charity events, STaCs or events limited to players with no more than 20 masterpoints:
 - 1) For all sectionals, the sponsoring organization will charge a mandatory additional fee of at least \$3.00 per person per session for non-members and non-service fee paying LMs.
 - 2) The additional fee shall be retained by the sponsoring organization.

Effective January 1, 2014.

Carried. Nay: 1, 5, 12, 16, 18.

Item 3

NABC Tournaments Non-Member Fees (022-44) from Codification Chapter VII, Section C

At all NABCs, entry fees for non-members and unpaid Life Masters will be \$4.00 per player per session higher than for ACBL members and Life Masters who have paid their service fee. Charity events and events limited to players with no more than 20 masterpoints are exempt from this requirement.

Effective January 1, 2014.

Carried. Nay: 1.

The following items from the ACBL Codification are rescinded

Entry Fees (983-196A) from Codification, Chapter VIII, Section C

- A. At all NABCs beginning with the San Antonio (Summer 1999), entry fees for non-members and unpaid Life Masters will be \$1.00 per player per session higher than for ACBL members and Life Masters who have paid their service fee. Charity events and events limited to players with fewer than 20 masterpoints are exempted from this requirement.

Non-Member and Unpaid Life Master Entry Fees (983-196) (991-132) from Codification Chapter VII, Section C

Management's implementation plan for collecting additional entry fees for non-members and unpaid life masters is accepted.

NABC Nationally-Rated Events Eligibility (031-50) (032-47) from Codification Chapter VII, Section F

In order to participate in a Nationally-rated event at an NABC, a person must be an ACBL member whose service fee or dues is current.

Effective January 1, 2014.

Carried unanimously.

Item 131-54: Eight is Enough Game

The Rules for Eight is Enough games are amended as follows:

Chapter 4 Section Two, subsection I. of the ACBL Handbook is modified by adding a new paragraph F as follows:

Section Two: Types of Club Masterpoint Games

- I. OPEN GAME

F. Eight is Enough

A club may hold an 'Eight is Enough' game as an Open Game. There must be no upper limit on the number of masterpoints allowed for "A" team members.

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 131-55: Regionals at Sea

Regionals at Sea (103-161) is amended as follows:

The ACBL and only the ACBL shall be permitted to sponsor Regionals at Sea ("RaS").

The ACBL may sponsor up to four RaS per year.

Three of the four RaS should depart from a different geographic "areas." The areas are defined as East Coast (Atlantic other than Florida), West Coast (Pacific) and Gulf Coast (Gulf of Mexico plus the entire Florida coast.)

One, and only one, of the four RaS may depart from outside these designated areas.

Except as specified in this motion, RaS must conform to the same rules and regulations as land-based Regionals.

No RaS may be conducted concurrently with any portion of a land-based Regional tournament held either within 200 miles of or within the same District as such RaS' port of embarkation or debarkation absent written consent of the District Director/s from the affected District/s.

RaS are limited to a maximum of 21 bridge "tournament" sessions awarding red or gold masterpoints per cruise. The tournament schedule will be determined by the tournament manager subject to the approval of the ACBL staff.

RaS will pay 100% of the standard land-based Regional masterpoint awards.

The ACBL will assume the risk of profit or loss in conducting RaS. The ACBL may, at its sole discretion, outsource any or all services necessary for the conducting of RaS. All such services shall be compensated on a fee basis. The ACBL may, however, structure such fee-based arrangements in any way it considers most effective.

As sponsor, the ACBL may hire an independent operator on a fixed fee or fee per player basis (with or without a minimum/maximum) subject to the following requirements: Sponsor (ACBL) must retain financial responsibility for standard bridge related tournament invoice items;

Outside agencies, retained for RaS support, may not be owned or operated by officers, directors or employees of the ACBL, its Districts or Units, or NBO's ("Restricted Individuals");

All RaS tournament contracts, including those with ship lines, travel agents and bridge personalities, must be reviewed and approved by League Counsel prior to execution.

An ACBL approved tournament chairman or manager from the port or neighboring district ("Port District" including both port of embarkation and port of debarkation) may be hired to preside over the RaS and handle all bridge operations and tournament staffing. Staff includes ACBL directors, caddies, partnership, and appeals. If the ACBL is unable to hire such an individual from the specified port District/s, it may hire from outside that area.

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 131-56: Senior Age

The minimum age for ACBL sanctioned Senior events shall be 60 years of age. Those eligible under present rules on December 31, 2013 will remain eligible in subsequent years.

Effective January 1, 2014.

Carried. Nay: 9, 13, 17, 22. Abstain: 25.

Item 131-57: 10K Swiss

The ACBL will hold a 0-10,000 Swiss Team event on the first Friday and Saturday of the 2013 Spring NABC as an experimental event with an option for a second year. The event will award 10% platinum points, subject to a 10 point maximum, for overall awards only. The event is deemed an NABC event, not an NABC+ event. The winners of this event will not qualify for Grand Life Master status. The winners of this event will receive 70 Masterpoints, if there are at least 48 tables entered in the event. If there are fewer than 48 tables entered in the event, the winners will receive 55 Masterpoints.

Effective immediately.

Carried. Nay: 8, 9, 15.

Item 131-59: Playing Directors in STaCs

Item 122-110 is amended as follows:

Playing directors in STaC games and their partners are ineligible to receive overall STaC masterpoint (silver point) awards, but are eligible to receive section awards.

At Sponsor option, the above restriction may be waived. Such waiver shall be noted on the sanction application submitted to ACBL Headquarters.

Effective immediately.

Carried. Nay: 9, 10, 17, 21, 22. Abstain: 2, 24.

GRASS ROOTS/SPECIAL EVENTS

Hennings (C)
Arlinghaus, Blakely, DeMartino, Heller, Janicki, Jones, Levy, Monzingo,
Morse, Pinsky, Robinson, Subeck, Vilhauer Staff: Whitten
Committee Report by Chairman

Item 131-40: ACBL Wide International Fund Game #1

ACBL Wide International Fund Game #1 shall always be held on the Saturday of Super Bowl Weekend even if that date falls in a designated Fund Month.

Effective January 1, 2014.

Motion failed. Aye: 1, 2, 9, 12, 14.

MASTERPOINT POLICY

Heller (C) Arlinghaus (VC - Technical)
DeMartino, Janicki, Jones, Monzingo, Munoz, Weniger Staff: Horwedel
Committee Report by Chairman

Item 131-115 Online Bridge

The ACBL create a dual system where face to face masterpoints are kept totally separate from on-line points.

Effective as soon feasible but at least by Jan. 1, 2014.

Motion failed. Aye: 1 Abstain: 7

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The meeting was called to order by President Donald Mamula on Thursday, March 14, 2013 at 9 a.m.

Present: Same as Wednesday, March 13

Also Present: Same as Wednesday, March 13

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The Board went into Executive Session at 9: a.m. No actions were reported.

Upon conclusion of the Executive session at 10:05 a.m. the Board of Directors resumed in open session.

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STRATEGIC REVIEW & EVALUATION

DeMartino (C) Robinson (VC)

Arlinghaus, Fairchild, Heller, Levy

Staff: Hartman

Committee Report by Chairman

An oral report was given.

MEMBERSHIP ACQUISITION & RETENTION

Hennings (C)

Calkins (VC/Juniors) Harlan (VC/Boomers)

Blakely, Cook, Morse, Reid, Seals, Subeck, Weniger

Staff: Delfs/Robertson

Committee Report by Chairman

An oral report was given.

AUDIT

Levy (C)

Jones, Reid

Staff: Jones

Committee Report by Chairman

An oral report was given. (Attachment G)

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USBF President George Jacobs addressed the Board of Directors asking that the USBF and ACBL continue to collaborate in ways mutually beneficial to both organizations.

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FINANCE

Reid (C) Robinson (VC)

Cook, DeMartino, Levy, Monzingo, Pinsky, Seals

Staff: Jones

Committee Report by Chairman

Item 131-70: 2013 Budget

The revised 2013 Budget showing an excess of revenue over expenditures of \$32,296 is ratified.

Carried unanimously.

Item 131-71: ACBL Investment Policy Statement

For purposes of Chapter II Section 1 of the Codification (ACBL Investment Policy Statement) an investment in master limited partnerships and/or preferred stock in an amount up to 5% of our investment portfolio shall be considered “fixed income” investments as described in 1.3.3.2

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

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The Board went into Executive Session at 3 p.m. No actions were reported.

Upon conclusion of the Executive Session at 4:30 p.m. the Board of Directors resumed in open session.

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Closing Remarks

It was moved by Morse and carried unanimously that the Board expresses its thanks to District 8 and its units, District Director Georgia Heth and Tournament Chairs Mike Carmen and Glenn Smith and all of the other chairpersons and numerous volunteers. We also wish to thank the St. Louis Renaissance Grand Hotel for its fine cooperation.

The Board adjourned *sine die* at 4:30 p.m.