

ACBL Board of Directors
Online meeting via Zoom Webinar
December 16, 2020

The meeting was called to order by President Georgia Heth on Wednesday, November December 16, 2020, at 1:05 p.m. CST.

Present: Leo Weniger #1, Paul Janicki #2, Carlos Muñoz #3, Joann Glasson #4, Brian Ellis #5, Margot Hennings #6, Mike Kovacich #7, Georgia Heth #8, Jeff Overby #9, Ned Irving #10, AJ Stephani #11, Dennis Carman #12, Suzi Subeck #13, Sharon Anderson #14, Warren Smith #15, Paul Cuneo #16, Cindy Shoemaker #17, David Johnson #18, Julie Smith #19, Laurie Rowe #20, Jackie Zayac #21, David Lodge #22, Kevin Lane #23, David Moss #24 and Bob Bertoni #25.

Also Present: Gim Ong #2, Deana Liddy #14, Tim White #19 and Stu Goodgold #21, each incoming Board members, Richard Popper, outgoing Board of Governors Chair, Doug Couchman, incoming Board of Governors Chair, Joe Jones, Executive Director, Peyton Dodson, Director of Finance, Linda Dunn, In-House Counsel, Greg Coles, Director of Bridge Services, Mary Stratton, Director of Marketing, Susie Cordell, Director of Information Technology, Stephanie Threlkeld, Marketing Manager, Sol Weinstein, Field Manager, Robb Gordon, National Recorder, and Kelley Trejo, Executive Secretary.

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Information Technology Report

The Director of IT gave an oral PowerPoint presentation regarding 2020 successes and their plans for 2021 followed by a discussion with the Board.

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Item 20S6-10: Appointment of OEOC Committee

Following approval of adding the motion to the Agenda less than ten days before the meeting, Brian Platnick is appointed as a replacement member to the OEOC.

Carried unanimously

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Approval of November Fall Meeting Minutes

The Fall November meeting minutes are approved with the correction of a typographical error in Item 203-02, clarification that Cindy Shoemaker was elected a Charity Foundation trustee for four years.

Carried unanimously as corrected.

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<p style="text-align: center;">BRIDGE COMMITTEE</p> <p>Carman (C), Ellis (VC), Bertoni, Moss, Muñoz, Rowe, J. Smith, W. Smith, Subeck, Weniger</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Staff: Weinstein</p> <p>As reported by Committee Chair</p>
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Item 20S6-03: Masterpoint Formula Modified for Strength of Field – Second Reading

In all tournament events for which the overall awards are calculated by formula, including Individuals, Pairs, Swiss Teams, Board-a-Match Teams, excluding STaCs and events with arbitrary first place awards, such as the Grand National Teams and excluding all events with a knockout phase, the masterpoint formula shall be modified to account for the strength of the field in that event by the method detailed below, and that such method be amended in the future to account for improvements in methods for estimation of players' abilities and for other factors that have not yet been adequately accounted for.

Effective January 1, 2021 or as soon thereafter as management can implement Carried unanimously

Item 20S6-04: CBF Mixed Teams Awards – Second Reading

The arbitrary award for the CBF Mixed Teams Championship shall be 80 Gold masterpoints, with a match award of 8.00 Red points and with the minimum tables rule applying.

Effective immediately (Retroactive to 2020)

Carried unanimously

Item 20S6-05: Reducing Masterpoint Awards to reflect non-Face to Face Play – Second Reading

In all events conducted online in which ACBL gold, silver or red points are awarded, not including club games, all masterpoint awards shall be 80% of the amount that would be awarded in a face-toface game of the same structure, as calculated by the applicable formulas.

Effective date:

Carried Nay: 13

APPEALS & CHARGES COMMITTEE	
Stephani (C), Overby (VC) Carman, Hennings, Janicki, J. Smith, Zayac	Staff: Gordon

No report was made by the Appeals & Charges Committee Chair.

TOURNAMENT TASK FORCE	
W. Smith (C), J. Smith (VC) Glasson, Hennings, Kovacich, Overby, Popper, Rodney, Stringer	Staff: Dodson

No report was made by the Task Force.

FINANCE COMMITTEE	
Glasson (C), Muñoz (VC) Bertoni, Lane, Lodge, Smith	Staff: Dodson

As reported by Committee Chair.

Item 20S6-02: Reconsideration of item 203-12 Budget Calendar

Following approval to reconsider this motion by a two-thirds vote, Item 203-12 was reconsidered.

Item 203-12 passed at the November Board meeting is hereby rescinded: The Codification Chapter II – Business Management, A. Finance, Section 5 – Budget is amended as follows to change the timing of the annual budget process:

5.3 The budget for the next calendar year will be finalized no later than November 1, approved by the Finance Committee, and then presented to the full Board for ratification prior to the end of the calendar year.

Effective January 31, 2021

Carried unanimously

Item: 20S6-06: Budget Calendar

The Codification is amended as follows to change the timing of the annual budget process:

5.3 The budget for the next calendar year will be finalized no later than October 15, approved by the Finance Committee, and then presented to the full Board for ratification in November.

Effective date: January 31, 2021

Carried Nay: 1

GOVERNANCE BOARD OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Hennings (C), Kovacich (VC)

Anderson, Cuneo, Glasson, Irving, Janicki, Johnson, Lane,

Lodge, Overby, Shoemaker, Stephani, Zayac, Popper

Staff: Dunn

As reported by Committee Chair.

Item 20S6-08: Bifurcation of Codification

Following approval of a motion to amend, the Codification attached to this motion as Part 1 and Part 2, bifurcating the Codification provisions into those concerning Governance/Policy and Bridge Operations, respectively, is approved except as amended to move Chapter II.C. Section 1, Chapter II.C. Section 2. Chapter III.C. Section1, Chapter III.D., and Chapter V.A. from Part 2 to Part 1.) (Attachment A & B)

Effective immediately

Carried Nay: 1 Abstain: 23

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The Board of Directors convened into executive session at 3:54 p.m. CST.

The Board adjourned sine die at 4:49 p.m. CST.