

ACBL Board of Directors
Online meeting via Zoom Webinar
June 4, 2021
Special Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Georgia Heth on Friday, June 4, at 1:35 p.m. CST.

Present: Leo Weniger #1, Flo Belford #2, Carlos Muñoz #3, Joann Glasson #4, Brian Ellis #5, Margot Hennings #6, Mike Kovacich #7, Georgia Heth #8, Jeff Overby #9, Larry Sealy #10, AJ Stephani #11, Dennis Carman #12, Suzi Subeck #13, Deana Liddy #14, Warren Smith #15; Paul Cuneo #16, Cindy Shoemaker #17, David Johnson #18, Tim White #19, Laurie Rowe #20, Stu Goodgold #21, David Lodge #22, David Moss #24, and Bob Bertoni #25.

Absent: John Jones #23

Also Present: Doug Couchman, Board of Governors Chair, Joseph 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 Operations Manager, David Benton, Manager of IT Infrastructure, and Robb Gordon, National Recorder.

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Approval of Special Meeting Minutes

The April 8, 2021, Board meeting minutes were approved.

Carried unanimously.

Item 21S5-02: ACBL Disciplinary Committee

Anant Rathi was appointed to the ACBL Disciplinary Committee to fulfill the remaining term of Jeff Miller, which term will expire Spring 2024.

Carried unanimously

Discussion Item 21S5-03: Post-Pandemic Face-to-Face Bridge

The Board discussed with ACBL management management's plans for a near term return to face-to-face bridge play at clubs and tournaments. Board members shared their thoughts on, and asked questions about, these matters. The discussion included, among other things, combining face-to-face and virtual bridge games, special awards and special games to be utilized by clubs during the remainder of 2021, a proposed reduction in the masterpoints® multiplier for online games, the continuation or discontinuation of special events offered online, proposed limitations on the pooling of clubs offering online games, the possible curtailment of Support Your Club online games, and the continuation or discontinuation of online Regional events and/or online national championships during the remainder of 2021. Longer term matters were left for discussion at later meetings.

The Board adjourned sine die at 4:35 p.m. CST.