

ACBL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Minutes: SUMMER GENERAL MEETING

July 17, 2022

Doug Couchman, Chair of the Advisory Council, called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. EDT on Sunday, July 17, 2022. A quorum was present.

OPENING REMARKS: Chair Couchman opened the meeting and welcomed all attendees.

The Advisory Council meeting was now suspended and the members' meeting called to order. No quorum was present at the members' meeting, but presentations and Q&A proceeded:

ACBL PRESIDENT'S REPORT: ACBL President Joann Glasson welcomed the membership.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Executive Director Joe Jones presented management's written report (see website) and delivered an oral summary thereof. He answered several questions from League members.

LITIGATION REPORT: Executive Director Joe Jones presented the litigation report presented (see website).

FINANCIAL REPORT: Director of Finance Peyton Dodson presented the financial report (see website) and answered questions thereon.

Several questions were posed and addressed by members, particularly on costs, efforts to grow membership, and the vaccination requirement.

There being no quorum, no further business was conducted at the members' meeting; this meeting was adjourned and the Advisory Council meeting recommenced.

The Chair invited new Council members to introduce themselves and thanked the Board of Directors.

CHAIR'S REPORT: Chair Couchman reported on actions taken by the Board at their most recent meeting.

MOTIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Nominations were opened for the Advisory Council's three officer positions, for elections to take place at the fall general meeting.

Bill Cook (D11) nominated Steve Moese for Vice Chair. The nomination was seconded.

Hugh McSheffrey nominated Doug Couchman for Chair. The nomination was seconded.

Doug Couchman nominated Barb Doran for Secretary. The nomination was seconded.

No more nominations were received, and nominations were closed.

MOTION: Gary Hahn moved to ask the Board of Directors to consider a rule that Members convicted of serious ethical violations should be listed in the Bulletin along with a brief description of the violation in English. The motion was seconded. After discussion, the motion was defeated, 17-25.

RECOGNITION OF LIFE MASTERS: Goodwill Committee Chair Roger Smith moved to recognize all those members who have achieved the rank of Life Master. The motion was approved by acclamation.

Chair Couchman thanked the many volunteers who worked to make the Providence NABC possible.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:45 pm.