

**ACBL Board of Directors**  
**Full Board**  
**Email Vote**  
**Noticed via Email on February 2, 2024**

An email notice was sent to the Full Board by President Margot Hennings on Friday, February 2, at 3:32 p.m. ET requesting that all Board members vote by email to approve John Carruthers as the replacement member for Mitch Dunitz on the Hall of Fame Committee.

The motion to approve John Carruthers was unanimously approved.

A number of the Board asked for more information about John and about why Mitch resigned. The following information was provided when the unanimous approval of Carruthers was reported:

- John is Canadian and has been active in both the CBF and WBF. You can check out CBF.ca and search for John Carruthers there as well as use the following link to see his WBF pedigree: <http://www.worldbridge.org/people-finder/>.
- Mitch resigned from the Hall of Fame Committee because he wanted to move on to other Volunteer work—he is now an ACBL Educational Foundation Trustee and Development Chair for that organization. John was Mitch’s recommendation as his replacement and President Margot Hennings agreed.
- The HoF Committee comprises nine members, with three appointed every year and all having a three-year term. Three committee members’ terms will end in March and the names of three appointees will be brought for Board approval at that time. It has been suggested that the committee is currently “male-heavy” and that is certainly true. Eight of the nine are men.
- All appointees obviously must have no conflict of interest and agree to be appointed. Every effort will be made to find at least one woman and preferably two to serve.

In order for an email vote to be valid, according to New York State law, voting in favor of what is being proposed must be unanimous. Administrative Coordinator, Sabrina Goley, received an email notice from President Margot Hennings on Saturday, February 3, 2024, at 10:18 p.m. ET that the motion to replace Dunitz with Carruthers was unanimously approved.

Effective immediately