DISTRICT 15 BOARD MEETING

Oklahoma City Regional

May 22, 2025

Secretary/Treasurer Henry Robin called the meeting to order at 5:55 pm.

Voting members present: Lynne Wenski (sub for Hong Chen -131), Susan Urich (131), Past President Richard Bowman (132), Trish Leblang (158), Secretary/Treasurer Henry Robin (158), Kay Bickham (167), Karen Coe (167), Neil Feichtner (210), Marc Elster (234), Jan Tillery (234), Laura Batey (sub for Mike Schomaker - 247), Diane Warren (247), National Board Liaison Warren Smith.

Voting members absent: Rod Smith (101), Connie White (101), Alan Hierseman (131), Mary Beck (132), Julie Scherz (132), Janye Mayfield (210).

Others present: Gloria Smith (STaC Coordinator), Susan Eagle (132), Scott Humphrey (Area Manager ACBL Districts 7,9,10,15,16).

It was determined that a quorum was present.

Henry turned the meeting over to Vice President Marc Elster who called on Henry for a motion to elect Trish Leblang (newly elected District Representative from Unit 158) as District President. The motion was seconded by Warren. Motion passed. A motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously that Trish Leblang, President and Henry Robin, Secretary/Treasurer be authorized to sign checks and maintain control of the checking and savings accounts of the organization at the Bank of America (motion by Richard, seconded by Kay).

Marc turned the meeting over to Trish who asked Henry to run the remainder of the meeting,

The minutes of the Tulsa meeting held on February 20, 2025 were approved as written (motion by Karen, seconded by Richard).

Richard presented a report of the 2023 Wichita Regional which showed 314 tables and a profit of $8,248.46. The District fee has been paid. Report received (motion by Warren, seconded by Lynne).

Richard presented a report of the 2024 Wichita NLM Regional/Open Sectional which showed a combined table count of 111 and a loss of $9.53. There is no District fee due for this tournament. Report received (motion by Warren, seconded by Karen),

Henry presented a report of the 2025 Tulsa Regional which showed 235.5 tables and a loss of $803.70 ($709.50 if the District fee is waived). It was noted that table count was significantly impacted by snow and ice. Since there was a loss, Henry asked that the District for this tournament be waived. Fee waived and report received (motion by Karen, seconded by Warren).

Alan sent a report of the 2023 Kansas City Regional which showed 786.5 tables and a profit of $181.03. The District fee has been paid. Report received (motion by Karen, seconded by Warren).

Henry presented the District Financial report showing a net decrease of $890.97 since the beginning of Peggy/Trish’s term. There was an error on the previous financials whit some STAC income incorrectly recorded as GNT income, that error has been corrected on this financial report. Report received (motion by Richard, seconded by Karen).

Henry (GNT and NAP Coordinator) gave a brief report of the participation in the 2024-2025 events and informed the Board that all GNT funds have been received and except for 3 clubs in Unit 131, all NAP funds have been received. A report with the clubs and amounts was provided to Unit 131 and they were asked to assist with the collection of these funds. A draft of the 2025-2026 GNT and NAP District Conditions of Contest (COC) had been emailed with the notice for this meeting. The Board decided to delay discussion of the GNT COC until the next meeting. The NAP COC was approved as written - subject to any changes required by the ACBL (motion by Warren, seconded by Kay). Once approved by the ACBL, Henry will email the COC to all club managers in the District.

Susan Urich (Tournament Coordinator) submitted a written report which is attached.

Laura Batey, Bentonville Tournament Chair informed the Board that due to hotel requirements, Bentonville needs to have a full Regional annually. She prepared a report of District Regionals since 2023. Her report is attached. Regionals are allocated to Districts by the ACBL and currently our District gets four each year. Therefore, the only way Bentonville could have an annual Regional is to reallocate our current Regionals. The Board asked Henry to ask the ACBL if our District could be allocated an additional Regional. Regional allocation will be discussed again at the Bentonville meeting.

Susan Eagle (Unit 132) presented a proposal to schedule a Best Practices Workshop. Her proposal is attached. A motion was made to hold the workshop in Wichita on August 22-24 with the District paying the $2500 ACBL fee. Susan will handle registration and there must be at least 15 members registered by July 15. Motion passed (motion by Richard, seconded by Karen).

The next District Board meeting will be held in Bentonville, Arkansas on Thursday, August 7, 2025 following the afternoon session.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry Robin - Secretary/Treasurer District 15 ACBL