

Unit 354 Board Meeting

March 8, 2010

Scottsdale House

Present: George Drake, Kathleen Tastet, Susan Sneed, Angie Ulrey, JoAnne Lowe, Susan Kay Schultz, Michael Kay, Janet Newman, Marianne Spanier, Lesley Davis, Alice Pierce. Unable to attend: Rod Bias, Linda Turner, Charlie Kelley, Kim Corbin, and guest Barb Bunnell.

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by President Janet Newman. JoAnne Lowe moved to accept the minutes as sent out electronically. George Drake seconded and the motion passed. In the absence of treasurer Kim Corbin, JoAnne reported that the President's Day sectional made \$9200; the table count was 613. There is \$60,000 in the unit treasury.

The Board was asked to decide on one of two designs for a Banner to announce the Regional that will be displayed at other upcoming tournaments in our district.

JoAnne reported on several points regarding the coming tournament at ASU. A motion that the unit pay for 110 parking spots at a cost of \$450 for Friday of the May tournament carried. A motion to provide the same parking at the October tournament also carried. Michael Kay agreed to develop a list of restaurants in the ASU West area for distribution to players. JoAnne reported that the December tournament still needs a site and moved to replace the tournament with a STAC Oct. 29-Nov. 3. The motion carried. There is concern about replacing old wastebaskets. Susan Sneed will look into the cost of buying replacements. We will also attempt to get big trash barrels from the facility to be placed in the playing rooms. JoAnne will order more insert cards for grimy bidding boxes. It was decided she should order 50 sets at \$25/each as well as extra one club bidding cards.

Susan Kay Schultz made a report about the Regional. She, Linda Tucker, and Janet Newman went to the Doubletree Hotel to talk with the manager. Rooms will rent at \$90/night. There will be ample parking, and a hospitality room to which we can bring in our own food.

Susan Sneed had no necessary news about Membership.

Barb Bunnell reported March 10 as the deadline for the Shuffle Deal and Play that is almost ready to go to press.

In Rod Bias' absence, it was reported that the recent Feb. tournament had 75 tables of 199'er play.

Lesley Davis provided a District Update. Scoreboard is searching for a new editor. Director fees at the tournaments are going up, but the cost won't affect players as the district is absorbing the cost in other ways.

In a miscellaneous note, Janet suggested that changes to the unit wide scoring must be reported within 24 hours before the start of the next day's game. The board concurred.

We began a discussion about meeting places, but came to no agreement on changes.

The next board meeting is May 3 at the Scottsdale House, 4:30 p.m.

