

Unit 354 Board Meeting
September 4, 2009
Scottsdale House
4:30 p.m.

Present: Harriett Motley, Page Tomkinson, Lesley Davis, Angie Ulrey, Janet Newman, Kim Corbin, Alice Pierce, Jamie Rubenstein, Barb Bunnell, George Drake, Marianne Spanier, Susan Sneed. Unable to attend: JoAnne Lowe, Charlie Kelley, Rod Bias.

President Janet Newman called the meeting to order. The **August minutes**, previously distributed electronically, were approved. **Treasurer** Kim Corbin presented a printed budget for the Desert Empire Regional, comparing actual expenses for 2009 with budgeted expenses for 2010. Discussion followed. The balance for the unit bank savings is \$52,000.

Up-coming tournaments: A discussion about using bridge-mates ended with a motion by Alice Pierce, seconded by Marianne Spanier, to hold off using them at the Horn o' Plenty. The motion carried. The board signed up for jobs for the Horn o' Plenty. Barb offered the STaC flyers for the Jan 4-6 tournament in clubs for corrections and discussion. The proposed regional schedule was also presented with follow-up discussion. The board agreed to add Senior Pairs and approved a three session Knock-Out with W-Th-F playing days. A two session Swiss was added to Sat. a.m. The names of the events will remain the same, cactus names. The Sunday Swiss will continue a 7rounds of 7 boards format.

Annual Election of Board Members: We have eight nominees for the ballot. Barb will print ballots. Angie will distribute them to clubs and the Horn o' Plenty tournament. Deadline for voting is Dec. 10.

Novice/Education: no report

Shuffle, Deal & Play: next deadline is Oct. 10

District 17 Update: Lesley will call John VanNess to make sure we follow process on naming our reps to the district. The district board will meet in three weeks time.

Horn of Plenty Food Drive: The McNaughton's have graciously offered to chair the drive and have offered a matching \$1000 for funds to donate to the food bank.

Web-site: Jamie suggests we expand use of the club web sites

Membership/Flyers: Harriett will distribute flyers to clubs and request help from board members when needed.

The next meeting will be held November 16 at the home of Page Tomkinson. Lesley offered her home for the January Holiday Party for incoming and old (old?, how about used? Experienced? Veteran?) board members.

