

DISTRICT 10
MID SOUTH BRIDGE CONFERENCE
BOARD OF DELEGATES MEETING
February 9, 2013

The Mid-South Conference Board of Delegates met on February 9, 2013 at the Regional Tournament which was held in Nashville, TN. The delegates enjoyed breakfast of scrambled eggs, bacon, biscuits, hash browns, fruit, juice and gravy before the meeting was called to order.

District 10 Units were represented by the following Voting Delegates* and 1st Alternates**

Unit 134 Louisiana	John Onstott*Absent John Federico** Absent
Unit 138 Mississippi	Chuck Wilkinson*
Unit 144 Tennessee	Cecile Skaggs* Don Paterson** Absent
Unit 157 Alabama	Don Kemp* Absent O.T. Johnson **
Unit 161 Arkansas	Ned Irving* Absent Betty Schultz** Absent
Unit 170 Shreveport	Mina Chestnut* Absent Linda Young** Absent
Unit 179 Central TN	Pat Williams* Absent Coley McGinnis
Unit 180 MS Gulf Coast	Lynne Logan*
Unit 182 Baton Rouge	Eddie Ashworth*
Unit 211 N.E. Louisiana	Loretta rivers*Absent Dr. Otis K. Lovette**Absent
Unit 214 Hattiesburg	Robert C. Shearer*
Unit 215 S. Alabama	Don Kern* Gary Klussman**
Unit 221 S.W. Louisiana	Helen Timmerman*Absent Ruth Singletary**Absent
Unit 232 N. Alabama	Paul Munafo*

The following District 10 and ACBL officials were in attendance.

REP TOACBL BD/DIRECTORS-Bill Cook
District 10 President – David Siebert
Vice President – Don Kern
Treasurer - Lynne Logan
Secretary – Judy Knox
Recorder – Jane Dickey
Chuck Wilkinson-Tournament Oversight Chair
Charles MacCracken-Tournament Chair
Paul Munafo- Judiciary Chair

President's Welcome

The meeting was called to order by David Siebert, President of District 10 at 8am.

Approval of Minutes

The Board of Directors minutes from the meeting in Tunica, MS on September 15, 2012 were distributed to all delegates present. The minutes were also emailed to all Unit delegates in District 10 last year after the meeting. Lynne Logan made a motion to approve the minutes for last year. It was seconded by Cecile Skaggs. The minutes were approved.

Charlie MacCracken- Tournament Coordinator

District 11 invited us to participate in a STAC in December. I declined since we already participate in a STAC with District 7. The 3rd STAC will be the end of June. Charlie wants to keep the STACs in January and June. Sanctions are all in good shape. Regionals for 2015 should be in by now and Sectionals for 2013 are due.

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Treasurer's Report - Lynne Logan

Lynne Logan, District 10 Treasurer gave the Treasurer's report for 2012. Lynne walked us through all of the financial reports. See Exhibit "A" which is attached for a complete copy of Lynne's report.)

Profit and Loss – January through December, 2012

Total Regionals	\$ 18,075.39
STACs/ Nationals	<u>22,245.00</u>
Total Income	\$45,052.39
Less: Expenses	<u>(33,908.36)</u>
Net Profit	\$ 11,144.03
Less: Expenses	<u>5204.64</u>
Net Income	<u>\$ 5,939.39</u>

Bill Cook's Report

Bill Cook is the district 10 representative to the ACBL Board of Directors. His report covered the ACBL Board of Directors meeting held in San Francisco, California November 18 – November 21, 2012. Please see copy of Bill's report attached at Exhibit "B". Some of the more important points of the meeting were discussed by Bill.

- The meeting began with the election of the new ACBL President for 2013. Bill lost the election by 1 vote to Don Mamula from Mill Creek Washington, District 19. Bill would have made an excellent President.
- An amendment was made to the Code of Disciplinary Regulations that would establish master point removal sanctions for certain offenses.
- A motion was made that requires all participants of ACBL Tournaments to be ACBL members. It was tabled until the St. Louis meeting. This includes all Tournaments and STACs. Please let Bill know if you feel strongly about this.
- Changed the Electronic Devices policy that allows cell phones, audible pagers or similar devices in the playing area so long as they are not visible and turned off at all time during the session

Webmaster Report – Don Kemp

Don Kemp is the District 10 Webmaster. Don was unable to attend. O.T. Johnson gave Don's report for him. We have about 1200 to 1800 visits per month to the web page. Don is also posting tournament results on the District 10 web page. Tell directors to send them in to him. It would be helpful if you would put the District web site on any advertisements you have. The District 10 website address is D10bridge.org. Don can post daily game results if the director sends them daily. Hand records in pdf format can also be posted daily. Tournament Chairs can post tournament schedules on D10 web page if they send it to Don in pdf. You can send Tournament schedules to Don and he will send them to ACBL.

The web page has been updated with a slide show of D-10 officers and Delegates. The Unit Presidents list has also been updated.

Tournament Oversight Committee- Chuck Wilkinson, Coley McGinnis, Don Kern

Chuck Wilkinson gave the status report of budget requests for Regional Tournaments and the schedule of events submitted to date for all District 10 Regionals. See the rest of his report which is continued on the next page.

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START DATES	REGIONAL	EVENTS	BUDGET	Comment
February 4, 2013	Nashville	Approved	Approved	
May 13, 2013	Hot Springs	Approved	Approved	
July 8, 2013	New Orleans	Approved	Approved	\$13 entry fee approved
September 16, 2013	Tunica	Pending	Approved	Event schedule
				Request pending
January 20, 2014	Gulf Coast	Not Received		
TBA 2014	Mobile/Shreveport Split	Not Received	Not Received	
TBA 2014	Birmingham	Not Received	Not Received	
September 8, 2014	Tunica	Not Received	Not Received	
TBA 2015	Nashville	Not Received	Not Received	
TBA 2015	Hot Springs	Not Received	Not Received	
TBA 2015	Baton Rouge	Not Received	Not Received	
TBA 2015	Tunica	Not Received	Not Received	
			Not Received	
TBA 2016	Gulf Coast	Not Received	Not Received	
TBA 2016	Birmingham	Not Received	Not Received	Apprd 4 wks from Gulf Coast
TBA 2016	Jackson	Not Received	Not Received	
TBA 2016	Tunica	Not Received	Not Received	
TBA 2017	Nashville	Not Received	Not Received	
TBA 2017	Hot Springs	Not Received	Not Received	
TBA 2017	New Orleans	Not Received	Not Received	Req. Replacement Site
TBA 2017	Tunica	Not Received	Not Received	

- **Tunica 2013 Regional-** The District Board mandated a 3-year trial for a morning/afternoon times for major events at Tunica. Tunic is in the 3rd year of this mandated trial. Ed Davis, the Tunica Tournament Chair has requested to switch back to the original afternoon/evening schedule for the 2013 tournament. The D-10 Oversight Committee (TOC) recommends that we approve this change.
- **New Orleans 2017 Regional-** New Orleans is hosting an NABC in 2015 and the unit wishes to not host a regional in 2017. Any site wishing to host a regional in this time slot is invited to submit a proposal to the TOC. The deadline for proposals is July 31, 2013. The TOC will review all proposals and give its recommendation to the District Board at the Tunica Regional in September 2013. Send proposals to:

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NAP/GNT Coordinator – Russ Jones

Family matters required me to return home on Friday. If you have any questions about this report please call me at 870-897-3404 or email me at arkdrj@aol.com. Cecile Skaggs gave out copies of this report and read the report at the D-10 meeting.

North American Pairs: For the 7th time in 9 years District 10 won additional paid pairs in both flights Band C at the Spring NABC. There will be 3 pairs from Flight A., 4 pairs from Flight B and 4 pairs from Flight C at St. Louis. Remember, that beginning this year, there will be no required Unit QUALIFYING in the NAP. Units may have the game for master point awards. All Flights must still qualify at the club level.

Grand National Teams: The GNT remains a struggle to keep attendance up at the unit and district levels. We should remember that the main funding for teams to travel to the NABC is through unit and district level participation in the GNT. The final of the GNT for Championship Flight is May 19th at the Hot Spring regional. Finals for A/B/C are April 26-28 at the Jackson Sectional. Please encourage you unit qualifiers to attend. Unit qualifications are being held between now and April 15. If your unit has not scheduled your game yet, please have them go on line and request a sanction. Also, Championship Flight will be on line in Spring 2014.

Remind your unit GNT coordinators that the district surcharge this year is \$10 per table per session and is to be sent to me along with a copy of the qualifiers.

Grass Roots: At the Tunica meeting we voted to encourage all clubs within the district to hold a regionally rated pair game with the Grass Roots Fund as the charity. This will raise awards by 40% and help us raise additional funds for all winning teams. Clubs may also hold one Grass Roots charity game per month per sanctioned club session at 70% sectional rating.

Education Liaison, Dick Heil was absent and did not send a report.

Old Business:

- **Tunica schedule needs to be changed:** Lynne Logan made a motion to allow Ed Davis, the Tunica Tournament Chair to change the schedule back to the original times for afternoon and evening games for 2013. It was seconded by Cecile Skaggs and approved by the Board. The motion passed.
- **A motion was made at the last Board Meeting** to amend the Bylaws to allow election of officers every 2 years instead of every year. This motion was tabled to be voted on and discussed at this meeting. After much discussion, it was decided that Coley McGinnis would draft an amendment to send out to everybody. He wants to do away with term limits. This draft should be sent out to all Board members at least 30 days before the September 21, 2013 Board meeting in Tunica so we can vote on it then.

New Business:

- Lynne Logan made a motion that all District 10 Tournaments should have timers. It is the District's responsibility to furnish them. The District needs to look into purchasing a travel clock. This motion was tabled to the next board meeting in Tunica.
- Gary Klussman made a proposal for the District 10 Board to authorize the expenditures of up to \$500 per student for the District for any youth under 19 years old who attends the 2013 Youth session at the NABC in Atlanta. This will encourage the youth to continue to participate in bridge activities. The Board did authorize an expense 2 years ago for Sarah Carl of Gulf Shores. After much discussion Coley McGinnis made a motion that District 10 establish a fund of \$2000 per year and use it to match first come, first served to assist youth players to attend Youth NABCs. Jane Dickey seconded the motion. Deadline for applications is June 1st. Any unit wishing to participate should send in an application by June 1st each year. Provisions that D10 will give \$250 per student. The motion passed.

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Election of Officers: The following new officers were elected for 2013

President: Don Kern

Vice President: Coley McGinnis

Secretary: Judy Knox

Treasurer: Lynne Logan

O.T. Johnson was appointed to replace Don Kern on the Tournament Oversight Committee.

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The next Board Meeting will be Saturday, September 21, 2013 at the Delta Dealin' Regional Tournament in Tunca, MS at 7:30am.

There being no other business to discuss, a motion was made by Lynne Logan to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Knox

Judy Knox,
District 10 Secretary

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