

One Page Summary
Meeting of the District 21 Board of Directors
September 3, 2017 at Hyatt Regency Santa Clara

The Meeting of the Board of Directors of District 21 was called to order by President Jim Leuker at 10:00 A.M and he introduced Richard Popper, Chairman of the ACBL Board of Governors. The 6/3/17 meeting minutes were approved. Treasurer Harvey Brody reported that through June 30, 2017 we have made \$2500. Jim updated that we are in the process of getting a person to do an Engagement Review of the financials. His report was approved. Pam Hughes noted we will return to the Doubletree Hotel in Modesto in April of 2018 to eliminate the penalty for not fulfilling our obligation last year, Discussion followed and a "Choice" tournament will be implemented and held at 9 AM, 1 PM and 7 PM at Modesto. The total table count for Santa Clara this week is about 2300 tables. Pam confirmed that we will be holding the tournament here in 2018 She is working hard to establish the continuity of our four core tournaments in Monterey, Sacramento, Santa Clara and Reno each year. District Director Roger Smith reported that Regional attendance is down in the rest of the country, the Toronto NABC was successful, Stop cards will be removed from tournament bidding boxes in 2018, and ACBL Disciplinary Regulations have been updated. Western Conference rep Marion Robertson stated that District 17 will be pulling out of the WC next year. This could be the demise of *The Forum* and higher fees for the STaC games. She will continue to work to keep the Western Conference intact. Jackie Ortiz reported that there are three candidates for Vice President - Ray Yuenger, Jackie Zayac and Tracey Bauer. She stated that nominations can be made from the floor in Monterey. Tournament Coordinator Richard Meffley sent an updated calendar which is posted on the D21 website. Jim reported that District 21 rocked the GNTs in Toronto winning 3 of the 4 brackets. Jackie reported that there are some minor changes to the Conditions of Contest and Grant has posted it to the D21 website. There were some complaints about the NAP and GNT scheduling. Jackie responded that she does the best she can with a very tight calendar. Goodwill Chair Ginny Wailes distributed the Goodwill packets with all of the information needed to nominate candidates to be honored at the District 21 Annual meeting on January 6, 2018. Charity Chair Jeff Hack reported the four charities selected for awards in 2017 were the Brain Support Network in Menlo Park, Camp Sunshine Dreams in Fresno, Modesto Junior College Veteran's Resource Center, and Twin Lakes Food Bank in Folsom. Each charity will receive \$1,250. Youth Bridge Chair Bob Garret noted that Emma Miller from the Reno program has been selected to represent the U.S. at the Women's Team World Championship in China and her team will be playing in the finals in Atlanta. Social Media Chair Tracey Bauer has started using Chatcast where she can send a message to people's phones with important updates and we will be a test market for a new program called MeetUp. Jim updated the Calvin van issue is still being discussed and several options explored. The fifth Regional sanction is moving forward. Ken Llacera said that Unit 550 instituted a 501(3)(c) tax exempt Bridge Education Foundation this year and their unit is willing to share the process with any unit interested in setting up a similar foundation.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 A.M. The next meeting of the Board of Directors of District 21 will be held at 10:00 A.M. on Saturday, January 6, 2018, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Monterey.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandi Davis, Secretary, District 21