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Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
September 23, 2018

ATTENDEES: Marty Bley, President
Ann Atcheson, Treasurer
John Wertman, Secretary
Joe Hertz, Board Member
David Lindley, Board Member
Kevin O'Brien, Board Member
George Parkins, Board Member
Howard Stevens, Board Member
Lucy McCoy, Newsletter Liaison

Unable to attend: Georgette Weiss, Vice President

CALL TO ORDER: The President called the September 2018 meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 10:45 a.m. on September 23, 2018 at Beth El Hebrew Congregation in Alexandria, Virginia.

Secretary's Report

The minutes from the August meeting were reviewed and approved unanimously with no changes.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed and unanimously approved.

Action Items/New Business

Marty led a discussion of action items and new business:

- For existing Action Items: The Welcome to the NVBA booklet will be discussed in October.
- We have started planning for the Holiday Party. Georgette and Francesca are both playing key roles with food and other main items. David will bring the eggnog. Either Ron or Lucy will handle poinsettias. We will again have 3-4 vendors. We will be giving out a few awards and will solicit nominations: Dave Murray (sportsmanship); Sara Goodwin (data driven); and Ron Kral (199ers). We can also give out Leo Cardillo award for volunteerism.
- Things are mostly in place for the October Sectional. Margot would like some new tables. We can also use the tablecloths assuming we get them for the Unit. On a related note, Amy Brisson will serve as tournament chair for two of our events next year.
- For Pianola invitations to our Unit Game: 0-20 were sent and David will draft a text so we could extend to 199ers or even B/C.
- Learn Bridge in a Day and Director Training: We are planning to run both of these programs at the 2019 Reston regional. We will need to make sure the D6

license is renewed in April or so. The Director program will run Friday-Sunday preceding the regional with the test on Monday morning. LBIAD will run on Monday. We'll also need a significant number of volunteers and to have teachers lined up for follow up on LBIAD.

- We are continuing consideration of a Ride Sharing program for the Unit Game. We will make announcements at the Unit Game and at local club games about the possibility and to gauge interest. Joe to set up a web form for sign ups and David can include a blurb in the weekly email. We can also solicit possible drivers. We will also need a coordinator for the program if we formally start it up.
- We considered and visited another possible location for a dedicated bridge site, but determined it's cost prohibitive.
- The NVBA phone is monitored by Jim Gerding for the Unit Game and Jay Simon for Sectionals. We will also add Leo and Livingston for partnership purposes.
- The October Team Game will have no strats – we are aiming to pair experienced partners with newer pairs, but ultimately it is an open game. Marty will help with forming teams.
- The Winner's Circle on the website will include masterpoints won by NVBA players at tournaments around the country. George will include tournaments he's aware of.
- The Board voted to send \$100 to Martha Boyd's memorial fund.
- We will consider an increase in compensation for the Chief Unit Game Director at the end of the year during our regular budget cycle. Ann will present various possible scenarios.
- For New Business: 1) Bob Boyd will write the January President's column on the A/X game and related issues; 2) Kevin will reach out to club directors about any needed supplies; 3) Georgette will take minutes in October for the Secretary's absence.

NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT: The next NVBA Board meeting will be held at 10:45 am on October 21, 2018 at the Beth El Hebrew Congregation in Alexandria, Virginia. Future meeting dates in 2018 are November 11 and December 9. The meeting adjourned at 12:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
John Wertman, Secretary