

NVBA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
May 7, 2023

**ATTENDEES:**

Georgette Weiss, President  
Jay Simon, Vice President  
Ann Atcheson, Treasurer  
Georgia Booker, Secretary  
Jason Carter, Board Member  
Joe Hertz, Board Member  
Kevin O'Brien, Board Member  
Ron Kral, Webmaster  
Jim Gerding, Unit Game Director  
Howard Stevens, Unit Education Chair  
Marty Bley, Immediate Past President

Unable to Attend: John Wertman, Board Member  
Jamie Dahlberg, Board Member

**CALL TO ORDER:** The President called the meeting of the NVBA Board of Directors to order at 9:33 a.m.

**Secretary's Report**

The minutes from the March meeting were unanimously approved.

**Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed and unanimously approved. The treasurer will file the 2022 IRS 990 non-profit Income Tax return form.

**Agenda Items**

- President Weiss presented a detailed report on the upcoming Annual Meeting, including agenda items, awards, and the election of officers.
- Kevin O'Brien gave an extensive report of the Longest Day scheduled for June 18-25.
  - Unit Game participation will be Thursday evening June 22.
  - Susan Miskura and Kevin will contact other NVBA-land clubs to solicit their participation.
  - Due to unenthusiastic response, Ron Kral decided to forgo the expert player auction this year and as an alternative will offer a free lesson to players who make a donation to the Longest Day event. Kevin O'Brien will do the same, as well as offering playing lessons.

- The Board discussed whether there is enough interest to hold The Life Master/Non-Life Master Game at the Unit Game this year. The Board decided that NVBA will hold the LM/NLM game In-Person on Thursday June 1.
- Ron Kral agreed to send an NVBA Membership list to Brenda Egeland as initial input to the RSVP software to jump-start its use for advance reservations for Unit Game attendance.
- Kevin O'Brien provided a detailed discussion on ideas and incentives to improve attendance and growth in the In-Person Unit Game. It was recommended that members reflect on these items carefully and be ready to discuss them in detail and make decisions at the June meeting.
- President Weiss reported that the new Welcome handbook is printed and in circulation. A special thanks was extended to Ron Kral for his tireless work on this effort.
- It was decided to extend the opportunity for officers to make changes to Policy and Procedures until the July meeting.
- Kevin O'Brien agreed to co-produce the weekly Newsletter e-mail with Mark Chen; Jason Carter will continue to provide editing services. There is room for more volunteer help.
- In terms of club status, it was reported that Marshall will hold a Wednesday night game in Reston. Gene will close the Arlington DBC day games on Wednesdays and Fridays until further notice.

#### **New Business**

- The current policy on COVID-19 vaccinations was discussed. A decision on changes to the policy was tabled.

#### **Action Items**

- Changes to job descriptions under the Policy and Procedures are to be sent to Kevin O'Brien.
- Kevin O'Brien will continue to explore ideas and incentives regarding playing F2F.
- President Weiss will conduct Annual Meeting, present awards, and include discussion of plans for the LM/NLM game (Joe Hertz) as well as the Longest Day events (Kevin O'Brien).
- Joe Hertz will set up the zoom for at-home/remote participation at the annual meeting.
- Ron Kral will send Brenda Egeland a list of members for the RSVP tool.
- Ron Kral will take Annual Meeting photographs for the Newsletter.

**NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT:** The next NVBA Board meeting will be held on *Sunday, June 4, 2023, at 9:30 a.m.* The meeting was adjourned at *11:19 a.m.*

Respectfully Submitted,  
Georgia Arrington Booker, Secretary