

## **Unit 360 Minutes 1/21/26**

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order by President Bob Wagstaff at 3:50 p.m. Present were Bob, Treasurer Paul Gefreh, new member Brenda Bocek, Claudia Busch Lee, Ed Gardner, and the other Ed (Hill). Vice President Mark Bishop, and member Dave Loring were not present.

November minutes were approved.

Paul presented the treasury report: Additions to the proposed budget were 1) the addition of \$500 for calibration of dealing machines, 2) the addition of \$1,000 for likely property tax increases, and 3) \$2500 in miscellaneous funds for unexpected building improvements. The budget for 2026 was unanimously approved.

Officers for 2026 were selected with Bob, Mark, Paul, and Ed H. maintaining present positions: Pres., VP, Treasurer, and Secretary, respectively. Brenda will function as Membership Chair, including marketing for increasing membership (hopefully with some assistance.)

Board meetings this year will continue, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month.

We are still in need of a volunteer coordinator for the Longest Day Games.

Claudia presented regarding the 499er support Ambassador Program. Ambassador games will be held 2/9/26 for pairs, and 3/16 for teams. (It is hoped that these team games will allow newer players to learn the scoring, matchups, and strategies for team games.)

The absent and fluing Dave Loring reported 9 candidates for the Mentoring Program. More to come.

Contact Paul G. for Building Use Agreements and scheduling.

Unit 360 will continue donations of \$25 to the ACBL Foundation upon the death of one of our members.

It is Board Policy: no non-playing pets or children are allowed at games. If you have these or other issues, address your game director first.

The February 19-22 Sectional is proceeding.

At present the Unit Awards Game is scheduled for Saturday, March 14, however that date may change if conflicts persist. There will be a \$7 play fee, but lunch is free.

The Board is not inclined to promote a Salvation Army Tree of Life within our building next Christmas.

Discussions about biweekly Canasta on these premises are still underway.

Members are always encouraged to bring snacks to share at games, and to donate quality coffee to the kitchen.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Hill, Secretary