

MINUTES of a meeting of Unit 166 Board of Directors held on Saturday January 7, 2017 at 11:30 am. at the Holiday Inn, York dale.

Present:	Sharon Berghaus	Lane Byl
	Carol Bongard	Michael (Li Zhang) Yang
	Steve Norris	David Halasi
	Wiebe Hoogland	Chris Loat
	David McCrady	Chuck Renaud
	Andy Risman	Debra Kestenberg (Secretary)
	Paul Cronin	Gary Westfall (Accountant)
Regrets:	Flo Belford	

Carol Bongard assumed the Chair and welcomed Debra Kestenberg as the new Secretary.

Minutes – September 3, 2016

Motion by Chris Loat, seconded by Wiebe Hoogland *that the minutes of the September 3, 2016 meeting of Unit 166 Board of Directors be approved as corrected.* **Carried**

New Disciplinary Chair

Carol Bongard announced that Dale Whitmore has agreed to take on the role of Disciplinary Chair.

Motion by David Halasi, seconded by Andy Risman *that Dale Whitmore be appointed Disciplinary Chair.* **Carried**

National Women's Team 2016 Award

Nader Hanna, Lesley Thomson, and Ina Demme discussed concerns with the Board's decision to award \$500.

Executive Session

Motion by Carol Bongard *that the Board move into Executive Session.* **Carried**

Motion by Carol Bongard *that the Board move out of Executive Session.* **Carried**

Motion by Paul Cronin, seconded by Wiebe Hoogland and Chuck Renaud *that the Unit 166 Board regrets that the Canadian Women's Team feels disrespected by the Board's September 3rd, 2016, decision to grant the team a subsidy of \$500.* **Carried**

Motion by Paul Cronin, seconded by Chuck Renaud *that the \$500 grant to the Canadian Women's Team be rescinded, given the decision of the team to donate the grant to a charity.* **Carried**

Wiebe Hoogland proposed, and it was agreed, that a review of the Awards policy be added to the next meeting.

NABC 2017

It was proposed, and it was agreed, that the NABC 2017 Budget approval be deferred to the next meeting, pending hospitality cost estimates.

Ina Demme reported on the planning, financial, and marketing of the event. Ina Demme proposed, and it was agreed, that Unit clubs be notified of the fund raising StaC planned for March 27 to April 2, 2017.

Youth NABC

Carol Bongard reported that the Youth NABC is a separate event.

STaC Procedures

David Halasi reported there are no updates and that the topic is closed.

Bridgemate Rentals

David Halasi reported on the requirements for Good Friday at the Toronto Regional.

COBA: Merge Oakville ACBL-sanctioned clubs into COBA

Chuck Renaud reported on the proposed merger and presented and circulated a proposed Constitution & By-Laws (Attached).

Motion by Chris Loat, seconded by D. Halasi and Andy Risman *that the new Constitution & By-Laws be accepted, as presented. Carried*

Treasurer's Report & Budget

The Report to November 30, 2016 and Budget for the year ending August 31, 2017, circulated by Andy Risman, were presented.

Motion by Wiebe Hoogland, seconded by Paul Cronin *that the Treasurer's Report and budget be accepted, as presented. Carried*

David Halasi proposed, and it was agreed, that the discussion on HST credits be deferred to the next meeting.

Association Financial Reports

The Reports to August 31, 2016 were received.

Motion by David Halasi, seconded by Chris Loat *that the Association Financial Reports to August 31, 2016 be accepted, as presented. Carried*

Review Engagement Report

The year end statements were presented by Gary Westfall.

Motion by Andy Risman. ***BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the statement of financial position of the Corporation as at August 31, 2016 and the statement of income and expenses and net assets and cash flows for the year ended on the said date, together with the accountant's review engagement report thereon be and the same are hereby approved and adopted. Carried*

Remuneration for Accountant

Motion by Chris Loat, seconded by Steve Norris and Chuck Renaud *that Gary Westfall be paid \$1,700 for his year-end review and consolidation of the NABC financial statements. Carried*

Tournament Budgets:

The budgets for the St. Catharines, Toronto Regional, Burlington IN, and Brampton Sectional were received.

Motion by Chris Loat, seconded by Chuck Renaud *that tournament budgets for St. Catharines, Toronto Regional, Burlington IN, and Brampton Sectional, as presented, be accepted. Carried*

Tournament Reports:

The 2016 Reports from the Labour Day, Caledon East Sectional, and Fall STaC were received.

A review of D2 StaC was deferred to the next meeting.

Motion by Chris Loat, seconded by Chuck Renaud and Andy Risman *that the Labour Day Report be accepted subject to inclusion of HST in a Report, and that the Caledon East Sectional, and Fall STaC Reports be accepted. Carried*

The 2017 tournament schedule was received.

David Halasi indicated that he has contracts for the Toronto Labour Day and Toronto Regional for 2018 and 2019.

Motion by David Halasi, seconded by Steve Norris *that the contracts for the Toronto Labour Day and Toronto Regional for 2018 and 2019 be accepted. Carried*

David Halasi reported that he will post, in the Kibitzer and on the Unit website, job openings for Tournament Chairs for the Easter Regional and January Sectional tournaments.

Strategy for pricing; US/CAN exchange rate changes

David Halasi proposed, and it was agreed, to defer to the next meeting.

Honorariums:

Motion by Chris Loat, seconded by Chuck Renaud *to award Ann Shaw an honorarium of \$750 for chairing the Labour Day Sectional. Carried*

Motion by Chris Loat, seconded by Lane Byl *to award Andy Risman an honorarium of \$1,200 for serving as Treasurer. Carried*

Motion by Lane Byl, seconded by David McCrady *to award Martin Hunter an honorarium of \$1,100 for serving as Web Master. Carried*

Kibitzer Committee Report

David McCrady proposed, and it was agreed, that decisions on advertising rates and access options be deferred pending collection of more data.

Transition to Electronic Document Storage

Wiebe Hoogland proposed, and it was agreed, that he store the paper documents.

Storage of the Unit Seal

Andy Risman proposed, and it was agreed, that he store the Unit Seal.

Kate Buckman and Audrey Grant Awards

Andy Risman advised the Board of members nominated for the Kate Buckman Award and the Audrey Grant Award. The Board voted and the results were announced.

Association Reports

Reports for CVBA, COBA, and NDBA were presented by Steve Norris, Chuck Renaud, and Chris Loat, respectively.

Board of Director D2 Representatives

Motion by David McCrady, seconded by Paul Cronin *to nominate Carol Bongard, Andy Risman, and Wiebe Hoogland as D2 Representatives. Carried*

Next Meeting

Sunday April 30 at 1:00 pm. at MO Bridge, 3105 Winston Churchill Blvd., Mississauga.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:15 pm.