

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Membership of Western Michigan Unit 195 of the
American Contract Bridge League, Inc., held by Zoom on Friday, May 6, 2021.**

President Carman called the meeting to order at 7pm. This was our first zoom meeting. All present except Casper, Houtrow, Northrup and Schwenk. Catherine Gay has resigned as Unit 4 Board member and as our Secretary/Treasurer.

Dennis suggested that Jeff Orwin be appointed to replace Catherine as a Unit 4 representative. Moved by Joanne F, Second by Mike S. to place Jeff into that position. Motion passed.

Dennis suggested that all Unit Board members continue in their positions, new elections will be held in 2022.

Equipment. We are trying to see whether or not it will be feasible to have the same arrangement with Mike Roberts that we had with Ken. If Mike is assigned to our tournaments, it would be possible. Dennis is going to check on Mike's assignments for the upcoming tournaments. For now, we have all our equipment. The Unit has tables in Lansing, Kalamazoo, Petoskey, and Traverse City.

September Tournament report: Lynn reported that finding a reasonably priced venue for the Traverse City Sectional is difficult. Camp Arbutus is not available this September due to early closing and no food service. She found a well-lit, accessible place at the Traverse City Y South. It is located a block off of S. Airport Road and is close to hotels/motels and restaurants. Lynn does not plan to serve any meals except perhaps on Sunday at the tournament. Currently the Y is on hold for renting due to Covid, but we are at the top of the list and will be notified by July 1 if the space is available at \$500/day. We will also have to rent chairs. She reported that the TC tournament will have a 0-199 flight available. Moved by Lou, second by Diane to hold the Traverse City tournament at the Y south if possible. Motion passed.

Dennis announced that he has found a replacement for Catherine Gay. Ruth Subers has agreed to assume the duties of Secretary Treasurer. Catherine will do some training and help Ruth to transition into the position. Moved by Lynn, second by Phil to offer Ruth the position. Motion passed. Joanne F. and Dennis will decide on some remuneration for Catherine as she transitions Ruth.

The next Board meeting will be at the GRapids sectional on Friday, May 6. Dennis agreed to assist on getting sanctions for all of our 2022 tournaments up to Traverse City.

There has been a reorganization at the ACBL. Several Districts are combining and will be represented by a single Regional Director. Our District is combining with Districts 13 and 14 and will contain about 13,000 members. Dennis is running for Regional Director. Others may run. This is a four year term. Candidates must declare by June 1.

It was agreed that if board members are unable to attend in person and a zoom meeting is possible, that they may attend by Zoom.

Mike Sears moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Larson