

Minutes of the  
ACBL Board of Governors  
New Orleans, LA  
March 15, 2015

Richard Anderson, Chairman of the Board of Governors, called the meeting to order on Sunday, March 15, at 10 a.m.

**Opening Remarks**

Chairman Anderson welcomed the new members of the Board of Governors.

**Approval of Minutes**

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the Providence, RI meeting held November 30, 2014 are approved.

Carried.

**CEO's Report**

Robert Hartman presented the CEO's report. (See Board Attachments)

**League Counsel's Report**

Peter Rank presented the League Counsel's report. (See Board Attachments)

**Treasurer's Report**

Rand Pinsky, ACBL Treasurer, presented the Treasurer's report.

**Educational Foundation Report**

Barbara Heller, President of the Educational Foundation, presented a report on the Educational Foundation.

## Chairman's Report

Chairman Anderson presented his report on the meeting of the Board of Directors. (See Board Minutes)

## Motions

Moved by Gary Hann (#12) and seconded that the ACBL develop a simple room rate matching service for NABCs and reserve a portion of its double occupancy block at the host hotel to offer first-come first-served blind matches based only on gender.

Motion failed.

Moved by Jonathan Steinburg (#2) and seconded that the ACBL Board of Directors rescind Item 142-71: Entry Fees NABC+ Team Events / Screens.

Entry fees for NABC+ events that use screens shall incur a surcharge of \$40 per team or \$20 per pair for each session that screens are in use. Effective March 2015, or New Orleans Spring NABC. Carried unanimously.

Effective Fall 2015 NABC  
Carried.

Moved by Jonathan Steinburg (#2) and seconded that the ACBL Board of Directors interpret Item 143-26 ACBL Lifetime Masterpoint Lists to apply to all published online lists as well as all "printed" lists.

Effective immediately  
Carried.

Moved by Jonathan Steinburg (#2) and seconded that on all ACBL lifetime masterpoints lists, points won online be separated from points won face-to-face. There would be two categories of lifetime lists: Online points and face-to-face points. This would apply to the ACBL Lifetime Top 500, Canadian Top 100, Mexico Top 50, Bermuda Top 25 and may other ACBL lifetime list.

Effective immediately.  
Carried.

Moved by Carlos Munoz (#3) and seconded that all Regionals at Seas may not be scheduled to originate or terminate in any port located within or contiguous to a district sponsoring a Regional which would overlap any of the dates involved.

Motion failed.

Moved by Jay Apfelbaum (#4) and seconded that the NAP Condition of Contest be reviewed and updated that in the event of a partner being deceased that the remaining partner may be allowed to have a substitute .

Carried.

### **Approval of New Life Masters**

Moved by Sandy DeMartino, and seconded by all, that all members who have achieved Life Master Status (#104,057 to # 104,497) will be designated as Life Masters.

Carried unanimously.

### **Thanks for Hospitality**

Moved by Sandra DeMartino and seconded by all that the sincere thanks of the Board of Governors to District 10 and its units, District Director Russ Jones, Tournament Co Chairs Eleanor Onstott and Dee Moses and Honorary Chair John Onstott and all of the other chairpersons and numerous volunteers. We also wish to thank the Marriott New Orleans for its fine cooperation.

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There being no further business, the Board of Governors adjourned *sine die* at 11:30 a.m.