

## MINUTES FOR LBA BOARD MEETING 12/11/04

Ken Hayes called the meeting to order at 9:35 AM. The meeting was held at the Louisville Bridge Club.

### Officers/board members present:

Karen Clear, Lonnie Crumes, Joe Dye, Pamela Feldhoff, Ken Hayes, Ellen Kozlove, Sonny Switow.

Officers/board members absent: Paul Coulter (proxy to Ken Hayes), Jean Donoho (proxy to Ken Hayes), Aurelia Huffman, Barbara Moir, Elizabeth Moore, Dee Phillips, Ellen Schmidt, Jane Wininger (proxy to Pam Feldhoff).

Attending non-voting: Bert Washer (Director's representative), Charlene Daniels (2005/2006 Board Member), Vangie Smith (2005/2006 Board Member), Beth Reid (Legal Council), Barbara Hunter (facilities committee), Leslie London (facilities committee), Verna Goldberg (guest).

Minutes: Sonny Switow moved to accept the minutes for 9/4/04 and 11/16/04. Karen Clear seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted as submitted.

### New Business

1. Suggestion Box (Lonnie Crumes). Dogs not be allowed at the LBC; Lighting could be improved; Splenda as well as Sweet & Low should be provided for coffee.
2. Vangie was asked by a club member to bring the following suggestion to the board: Newly leased room extension space to be used as a smoking room, After discussion, it was decided to maintain the current smoking policy, which is that smoking is not allowed in the LBC building.
3. Ellen discussed the rates for the Best Western Brownsboro Road Inn for the 2/05 sectional. They originally quoted \$59/night but have now changed to \$99/night due to a convention/show that is in town that weekend. The question was raised about continuing to hold our sectionals there in 2006 if this is the kind of service we will receive.
4. Sonny commended Jean Donoho for her great job on the charity game that raised about \$600. Additionally, Sonny discussed the Beulah Gilchrist bequest which is about \$285. He would like to see some visible recognition of Beulah at the LBC. After discussion, a motion was made, by Ken Hayes and seconded by Pam Feldhoff, to purchase a clock/timer with a plaque in recognition of Beulah Gilchrist. The vote was unanimous,
5. Ken discussed the pros and cons of moving from our current location at 4109 Oechsli Ave. to property located near Village 8 in Dupont Circle (4014 Dutchman's Lane). The property is owned and managed by Metts Company Real Estate. The building is approximately 3,357 square feet, If we sign the lease, we would take possession 1/1/05 and begin paying rent on 3/1/05. Due to our current lease for the Oechsli property, we would be responsible for rent at the Oechsli property and the Dutchman's Lane property (double rent) for 3-6 months, if the Oechsli property cannot be rented after we vacate. Ken noted the possibility of holding our sectionals

at the new location. Some felt that there would not be adequate space for sectionals but this did not preclude moving to the new location, Metts will offer an option to renew. The bottom-line issues are (a) whether to move, (b) if we move the length of the lease. After discussion, Joe Dye made the motion that the LBC move to 4014 Dutchman's Lane. Ellen Kozlove seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Concerning the length of the lease that we should negotiate, after discussion, Pam moved that we should ask for a 10 yr lease with option to renew. This motion was seconded by Joe Dye and passed unanimously.

6. Bert Washer stated that, if we are successful in negotiation the lease and we move, the Directors should be involved in remodeling. Bert offered to organize a volunteer work force.
7. There was discussion of Board duty assignments. Ken will need to contact members that are not present to confirm assignments. However, Joe Dye is leaving the Board and has handled supplies. Lonnie Crumes will take over this assignment. The LBA Sam's Card will have to be transferred or reissued to Lonnie. Additionally, Kit Overpeck, who is not a Board member, has been in charge of maintenance. Kit is going back to school and the maintenance duties will need to be assigned to someone. Ken will formulate a finalized listing of Board assignments and send to Pam to publish, circulate, post and send to ACBL and the District. The new representative for the Directors to the LBA Board will be Pat London
8. Pam announced the dates of the 2005 tournaments: 2/18-20/05 (Louisville); 6/24-26/05 (Louisville); 11/7-13/05 (joint Louisville/Lexington Regional; 11/18-20/05 (Barren River). We are going to work to organize a 299er sectional in May to be held at our new Dutchman's Lane facility, if lease negotiations and move are successful.

Having no other business, Ken Hayes moved to adjourn. Lonnie Crumes seconded the motion Meeting was adjourned at 11:40 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Pamela W. Feldhoff, Secretary Unit 117.