July 11, 2019 Minutes of LBA Board Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. by President John Van Cleve.

Other board members in attendance were: Pat Barber, Hannah Davis, Bruce Ebanks, Judy Geralds, Dotty Losey, Kay Omanson, Norman Smith, Denise Tonini, and Janet Vowels.

Board members absent were: Judy Banks, Terri Chandler, Jean Donoho, Matt Just, and Stuart Ray.

Board Vacancies

John emailed two board members, Matt Just and Stuart Ray, who have missed three meetings during their terms. Both were invited to attend this meeting to speak for themselves. Matt is no longer an ACBL member, which disqualifies him from holding a board position. Norman Smith spoke with Stuart, who said that his heart is no longer in being on the board. Based on that conversation, John asked Stuart for a letter of resignation, which has not been received. John emailed both Matt and Stuart to confirm their departures from the board.

Board vacancies are traditionally filled by the highest vote-getters among those not elected in the most recent board election. In 2018, they were Monty Grubbs, Kit Overpeck, and Carolyn Carpenter. John asked Monty, who declined due to his wife's health issues. Judy Geralds moved to ask Kit to join the board, Bruce Ebanks seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Kay Omanson moved to ask Carolyn to join the board, Janet Vowels seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

After the meeting, John spoke with Kit and Carolyn, and both accepted the board positions. Both terms will expire 12/31/2019.

Guest Speaker: Robert Todd

Randy Baron scheduled a Robert Todd lecture and game on Sunday, 9/15/19. The cost will be \$40.00, which includes lunch, in addition to the lecture and game. Judy Geralds will work with Verna Goldberg to head a lunch committee; Dotty Losey, Pat Barber, and Denise Tonini volunteered to help. Randy will provide flyers, and John will email LBA members and also the Lexington club.

Fall Elections

John is not running again for LBA president. Dotty will head the nominating committee for the 2019 election, and Norman and Hannah Davis have agreed to be on the committee. Two members-at-large will be recruited to join the committee. Bruce noted that Annalisa suggested asking Frank Bowen to run for the board. John will be available to advise and help the next president.

Board Thanks (or "Thumbs Up")

Kay suggested instituting a new agenda item for board meetings: a thank you to someone the board wants to recognize. Following the meeting, Judy Geralds set up a suggestion box for members to leave a name for someone who has earned a "thumbs up," with the plan to draw a name every Friday. On July 12, Erin Kennedy got the first "thumbs up" for her positive attitude.

<u>Adjournment</u>

Kay moved to adjourn the meeting, Denise seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Action Items

1. Judy Geralds will work with Verna Goldberg to head a lunch committee for the 9/15/19 Robert Todd event.

Respectfully submitted,

Dotty Losey LBA Secretary