

Present: Toni Bales, Janet Cordova, Janelle Courtright, Paul Grygier, Trish Jones, Lew Rakocy, Howard Sanders, Cheryl Schneider, Peter Wahl, Joe Wernet, Judy Williamson, and Cindy Windsor

Absent: Tom Bishel and Frank Paynter

President Trish Jones called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Columbus Bridge Center.

October Sectional

Joe Wernet discussed the October Sectional (October 25 - 27). He will line up caddies and he will have volunteers taking the Sunday sub orders Friday & Saturday. Lew Rakocy requested clarification on how many tournament fliers to mail out. Paul Grygier will email him the suggested number of fliers per club. Joe will see if he can get some new people to volunteer to help out with hospitality.

Dayton Regional

Cheryl Schneider gave an update on the just completed Dayton Regional. The table count was up by 50 over 2018 and up by 10 over 2017.

Spring National

Cheryl Schneider gave an update on planning for the 2020 Spring NABC Tournament. The conference hotel is the Hyatt with the Hilton as secondary. Other hotels that may be used for overflow are the Drury and the Hampton. Reservations are now being accepted by the Hyatt. The goal for the tournament is 10,000 tables. Cindy Windsor made a motion to sponsor one day of the tournament for \$1,000. Judy Williamson seconded it and the motion carried.

Grand National Team (GNT) Event

The 2021 GNT Event will be held in Cincinnati for flights A and B. Flight C will be held at other locations. It was suggested that COBA put in a bid to host the Flight C competition in 2021.

Other Business

The District is stressing membership development. Ideas for getting new members include free bridge lessons and "eight is enough" games. Another suggestion was to check with Bernard Osher Foundation and their life-long learning program.

Trish Jones asked board members to think about the possibility of raising the fee for the Life Master Dinner and eliminating the club subsidy for NAP and STAC games. These topics will be discussed at the next board meeting.

Any corrections to the new COBA Directory should be sent to Judy Williamson.

Minutes from the July 30th meeting were approved.

The next board meeting will be October 26 at 8:30 a.m. at the Columbus Sectional (York Golf Club).

The meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Grygier