

Bylaws of the Northern New Mexico Unit 381

District 17 of the American Contract Bridge League (ACBL)

As Revised April, 2014

THE UNIT:

The Unit functions within the Bylaws and Regulations of the American Contract Bridge League and its District.

OBJECTIVES OF THE ORGANIZATION:

To preserve and promote the best interests of and to stimulate interest in the art of playing competitive duplicate contract bridge and any modification thereof;

To cooperate with the ACBL in the promotion and conduct of contract bridge tournaments;

To encourage the highest standards of conduct and ethics by its members, and to enforce such standards;

To promote the development and organization of affiliated games within the Units;

To cooperate in the ACBL's Charity Program, and to sponsor and conduct Charity events with the object of realizing funds to be devoted to worthy humanitarian causes;

To conduct such other activities as may be in keeping with its principal objectives.

ARTICLE I

UNIT JURISDICTION:

The geographical area within this Unit shall include such area as is presently or may in the future be assigned to it by the Board of Directors of the ACBL. Currently the Unit includes clubs in Los Alamos, McKinley, Rio Arriba, San Juan, and Taos counties.

ARTICLE II

MEMBERSHIP:

Any person with an interest in supporting the objectives of the organization, and residing within the jurisdiction of the Unit, is eligible for membership.

Such person shall become and remain a member unless:

They change residence to a place outside the jurisdiction of the Unit. in which case they shall become a member of the new Unit immediately on processing by the ACBL of a change of address or has applied to remain in old Unit in accordance with the District regulations.

They have failed to pay his dues in accordance with regulations of the ACBL.

They have been suspended or expelled from membership in accordance with regulations established by the American Contract Bridge League and the Board of Directors of the Unit, provided, however, that such regulations shall conform to the rules of due process applicable to membership corporations, and that such regulations as are established by the Board of Directors of the Unit shall not be in conflict with the regulations of the ACBL.

Membership in the Unit carries with it membership in the ACBL.

ARTICLE III

DUES:

Annual dues shall be determined by the ACBL and shall be payable each year on or before the date specified by the ACBL.

ARTICLE IV

MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS:

There shall be an annual meeting of the members, which may be held in

connection with a tournament or special event which Unit members attend.

The Unit Board of Directors shall fix the time and place of the annual meeting. They shall give notice at least 10 days prior to the meeting by electronic mail to the membership and by verbal announcement at club games.

Special meetings of the members may be called at any time to consider specific subject matters by the Unit Board of Directors or by the President, or by petition of the members. Notice of the time and place of any special meeting shall be given by electronic mail and verbal announcement at least seven days before such meeting. The notice of any special meeting shall contain an agenda of the matters to be taken up at such meeting. No other business shall be acted upon at such special meeting.

A quorum for the transaction of business at any annual or special meeting shall consist of the members present.

No proxies shall be permitted.

ARTICLE V

UNIT BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Number of Directors

The affairs of the Unit shall be managed and conducted by the Unit Board of Directors which shall consist of at least six persons elected at large plus one manager from each club in the Unit that is sanctioned by ACBL.

Term of Office

Each at large Director shall hold office for a period of two calendar years, assuming office the first day of January immediately following the election.

Nominations

Candidates for Director shall be nominated by the membership of the

Unit. The Board of Directors will recommend a slate of nominees that is not less than the number of Directors to be elected.

The names of the persons nominated by the Board of Directors shall be published in the announcement of the Annual Meeting.

Additional nominations may be made by the membership from the floor at the time of the Annual Meeting. Nominations made from the floor will be added to the slate of nominees subject to the written consent of the person being nominated.

Election of Directors

Every qualified member present at the Annual Meeting is entitled to vote by secret ballot for each Director to be elected. In the event that the slate is uncontested, the election can be conducted by voice vote.

Vacancies

A vacancy on the Unit Board of Directors (at large position) shall be filled by the Board of Directors and the persons so appointed shall hold office for the balance of the unexpired term.

Meetings

The President of the Board of Directors shall schedule a regular monthly meeting.

Special meetings may be called when requested by the President or upon request in writing by a majority of the members of the Board of Directors.

Quorum

A quorum of the Unit Board of Directors for the transaction of business shall consist of not less than a majority of the Board.

Powers and Duties

The Board of Directors shall be empowered to:

- (a) Acquire, hold, and administer all property of the Unit.

(b) Appropriate the funds of the Unit for the purposes set forth and authorized by the Board of Directors.

(c) Conduct and manage all of the business of the Unit, including but not limited to the conduct of tournaments, selection of dates and locations for holding such tournaments, and the making of all contracts in connection therewith.

(d) Regularly review the financial status of the Unit. (e) Establish a procedure for taking disciplinary action:

For Unit #381 a standing disciplinary chairperson, who also will serve as Unit recorder, will be appointed by the President or their designee. The charging party to address any complaint made to the Board will be the President or their designee.

When necessary, the Board will appoint a disciplinary committee of at least three well- respected members of the bridge playing community who represent the diverse makeup of the Unit. In accordance with the ACBL Code of Disciplinary Regulations (CDR) such committee has the authority to discipline any member of the Unit participating in a sanctioned event or other Unit, District, or ACBL sponsored activity, and any person participating in a sanctioned event within the Unit's geographic boundaries.

The Board will hear appeals of a barring from a sanctioned club game within the Unit, in accordance with the CDR.

ARTICLE VI UNIT OFFICERS:

Number

The officers of the Unit shall consist of a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer.

Election of Unit Officers

The December meeting of the Board of Directors will be attended by both current and newly elected members. An agenda item of that

meeting will be to elect the new officers of the Board from and by the members who will serve during the following year.

Term of Office

The term of office shall be one calendar year.

Vacancies

Vacancies due to resignation or other cause shall be filled by the Unit Board of Directors. The person so appointed as officer shall hold office for the balance of the calendar year.

Duties

The duties of the officers shall be those outlined in the Unit Bylaws and such other duties as may be assigned by the Unit Board of Directors.

(a) The president shall preside at at annual and special membership meetings and at meetings of the Board of Directors. The President will appoint and may be a member of all standing committees. The President shall have such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors, or are incidental to their office.

(b) The Vice President shall assume the duties of the President in the absence of the President. The Vice President shall have such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors, or the President, or are incidental to their office.

(c) The Treasurer shall maintain records of all receipts and disbursements, file bank statements, cancelled checks, bills, and any other record needed for accurate records of the Unit's financial status. The treasurer shall submit to the Board of Directors a monthly financial statement and shall provide, on direction of the Board, any information for which they have responsibility.

(d) The Secretary shall record and distribute notes of all Annual and Special membership meetings and at meetings of the Board of Directors. The Secretary shall have such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors, or the President, or are incidental to their office.

ARTICLE VII

IMPEACHMENT:

Any officer or director may be removed for cause at any meeting of the Unit Board of Directors provided two-thirds of those present constituting a quorum shall so vote. Any officer or director against whom impeachment charges shall be brought shall be notified in writing of the charges at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting and shall be given an opportunity to be heard before the Unit Board of Directors and to be represented by an advisor of their own choosing.

ARTICLE VIII

COMMITTEES:

The President shall appoint such committees as may be necessary to perform the functions of the organization. Standing committees shall be appointed with the approval of the Unit Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IX

AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS:

Amendment to the bylaws may be made by the members of the Unit upon petition signed by at least twenty members and submitted to the Secretary at least 10 days in advance of the annual meeting or any special meeting called for the purpose, or upon petition signed by at least five members of the Unit Board of Directors. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to incorporate the text of the proposed amendment in the email notice of the meeting and make copies available at club games prior to the meeting. The concurrence of two-thirds of all members present and voting shall be required to pass any amendment.

The December meeting of the LADBC board was held at BESC at 12:30 on December 11, 2017

Attendees: Earle Marie Hanson, Lloyd Smith, and Sally Wilkins, who are retiring; New Board members for 2018, Michelle Rudy, Laurie Walker, Michael Hall;

Current board members: Dennis Scott, Jerry Fleming and Cliff Rudy; and Guest – Patsy Scott.

The minutes provided by Cliff Rudy were approved.

Financial report: A contribution of about \$500 will be made to selected charities at the end of December on behalf of 2 directors. Dennis will provide a financial report for the Taos regional.

New Officers for 2018:

Cliff Rudy, President and Club Manager

Laurie Walker, Vice President

Treasurer, Jerry Fleming

Secretary – board members will share responsibility

Los Alamos Sectional:

Reviewed Martin's update. A copy is attached.

Need at least 1000 flyers to start: Gary Zeiger (500), other directors (300), Albuquerque regional (100) , and others.

We will have a game on Friday night, but no dinner.

We will provide Sunday lunch.

The NM STaC sponsored by our club was started by Jerry, 5 years ago. Jerry has opted to invite all NM clubs, the El Paso Unit, the Western Colorado unit and the Pueblo Unit. The STaC will start on Tuesday, February 20, and last through Monday,

February 26. The Albuquerque and Carlsbad Units have signed up so far. Cliff will sign us up. There are 7 units in New Mexico.

Dennis – the regional at Taos was successful. They hosted the NA pairs. The ACBL president and some board members came to the regional. Winifred Stebbins, the Taos tournament Chair, said that a sectional is as much work as a regional, so Taos will not hold a sectional in 2018.

Michelle asked about conflicts of games and events at other clubs with our sectional. Perhaps we should contact the new Santa Fe Club president. Dennis Dawson taught a class last year in SF during our sectional. We should ask him not to do that this next year.

The Holiday Party at Taos is Sunday, the 17th.

Games at Taos are Thursday and Sunday at 1pm. ACBL has OK'd a Robot Sit-out – which allows computer play. Taos might be able to get enough interest in this for an evening game. Angle Fire, called the Taos Bridge Game in Angel Fire, generally has 5 tables at summer games.

Laurie and Bob Walker, Earle Marie, Nancy Lemons, and Roz and Jack Newmeyer are keeping the bridge class at Pinon School alive on Thursday at noon. They generally have 15-24 kids. Two to three tables bid, play, and score. The rest play mini-bridge.

The next board meeting will be on January 8.

From Martin Cooper on December 2, 2017

Hi All,

As previously noted, I will be in Vietnam during the next board meeting, so I thought I should write a update on the status of the sectional. Perhaps Cliff will forward this note to the new board members.

1) I have worked out the misunderstandings with the Comfort Inn. We will get the \$89+tax rate without any guarantee for any rooms. We will get one free night for any night where we have 15 guests associated with the tournament. We get credit if they reserve either by phone or on the Choice Hotels website provided on the flier.

2) Suzanne Star and I completed the flier for the tournament. Several club members provided helpful comments and corrections.

3) The ACBL has approved the flier and tournament schedule. They have put our tournament on their website. Both can be viewed at <http://tournaments.acbl.org/schedule.php?tourid=36434>

4) I have made the request to the ACBL to have Lynn Yokel repeat as our tournament director. The request has been forwarded to the regional director, and the assignment can be expected by early February. When a director is assigned, the flier will be updated.

5) Now that the flier is approved, I will be making copies to distributed at the Navajo Trails Regional in Albuquerque in mid-January.

Cheers,
Martin

Meeting met on Nov 13th, 2017.

Attendees: Wilkins, Smith, Cooper, Fleming, Rudy

Financial Report(balance sheet, income) given by Fleming. No significant changes.
October 2017 Minutes approved.

Directors fees reduced to \$3/Table for games with less than 5 tables.

Martin Cooper gave an update on preparations for the 2018 Los Alamos Sectional.

Although training materials were distributed, no new directors have taken the qualification test.

2018 Special Events Schedule reviewed.

After the Board Meeting, a new slate of Board members was presented and approved by the assembled players (club members) at the Monday game. The 2018 Board is

Michelle Rudy
Laurie Walker
Michael Hall
Jerry Fleming
Martin Cooper
Dennis Scott(Taos)
Bruce Gantner(Farmington)
Clifford Rudy(club manager)

Minutes of LADBC Board Meeting on October 23, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President Cliff Rudy at about 12:30 in the White Rock Senior Center Conference Room. Those present were Cliff Rudy, Lloyd Smith, Martin Cooper, Jerry Fleming, and Earle Marie Hanson. Sally Wilkins and Dennis Scott were not in attendance.

The minutes of the last meeting submitted by Sally Wilkins were accepted.

Jerry presented the Treasurer's report. Los Alamos Club table attendance was down in September because the Thursday evening games were not held since we did not have a Director for them in September. At the last meeting we agreed to raise the director's fees to \$5 a table. John Ruminer and Richard Klamann requested to have their director's fees contributed directly by the treasurer to a charity of their choice. A record of those fees will be kept and the accrued fees will be dispersed at the end of the calendar year, so they will not be reflected in the treasurer's report until that time.

Our unit does not have responsibility for the Taos Regional so we do not have any financial report for that tournament. If Taos chooses to have a Sectional next year, the unit will be involved in the finances of that tournament. We have heard that the Taos Regional attendance was down about 350 tables from their 2015 Regional tournament.

We have four possible interested new board members. They are Laurie Walker, Michelle Rudy, Denise George and Mike Hall. Cliff will confirm their willingness to serve and then send out a list of candidates and call for other nominations before the annual meeting. The LADBC annual meeting will be held prior to the Monday game on November 13th. At this meeting a list of nominees for the 2018/2019 Board of Directors will be presented and voted on by the club members present.

Martin Cooper is going to meet with Jerry Fleming to better understand what is involved in being the chair of the Los Alamos Sectional, and he will then decide if he is able to make the commitment to be chair. Martin will be unavailable to work on the tournament from the end of May through the beginning of June. Earle Marie volunteered to continue as Partnership Chair if no one else steps up to do the job.

Chronic slow play was discussed as being a problem and we are all encouraged to do what we can to speed up play. It was thought that this might be a ACBL-wide problem as the average age of the players increases, but Jerry pointed out that ACBL tournaments still have strict time limits and late plays are not allowed.

We voted to contribute \$100 as a club to the Harriet Dodder Memorial Book fund for buying books for the five Los Alamos Elementary schools. Harriet had been active not only as a player in the club, but had also contributed by serving on the board and helping teach kids bridge at the Los Alamos Middle School.

Cliff said that the White Rock Senior Center has told us that we can no longer hold games on Monday holidays. It was proposed that when the Monday game can not be held because of the holiday that it be held instead on the following Tuesday. We agreed to that proposal, but we will continue to look into what would be required for us to hold the games on the Monday holidays. Earle Marie or Cliff will explore this further with the director of the senior center, Annie Bard.

Martin Cooper and Bill Johnson have had to withdraw from taking the director's class at this time. Michelle Rudy and Jennifer Young may still be interested in becoming directors.

It was pointed out that the Unit bylaws say that we are supposed to have six people on the board of directors for our club plus one each for Farmington and for Taos and one representative each for the Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday sanctioned games. Farmington is really too far away to expect their representative to come to the board meeting and it is frequently difficult for the Taos representative as well. It was suggested that we might consider setting up a conference call so that those representatives could participate from afar. We would appreciate feedback from the Taos and Farmington representatives. We also have not been having a separate representative from each of the Los Alamos sanctioned games. We may want to look at the By Laws next year and readdress the required membership for the local and unit boards.

The next board meeting will be on November 13, 2017 at 12:30 in the White Rock Senior Center. The meeting was adjourned at 1:15.

Respectfully submitted by,

Earle Marie Hanson

The LADBC board met at the White Rock Senior Center at 12:30 on Monday, Sept 11, 2017.

Cliff Rudy, Lloyd Smith, Earle Marie Hanson, Martin Cooper, and Sally Wilkins were present

The minutes for August 2017 were approved as corrected.

The financial report was reviewed. \$2100 in contributions were made: \$1000 to Los Alamos Senior Center; \$500 to White Rock Senior Center; \$500 to Jennifer Fleming Scholarship Fund; \$100 to Taos Longest Day bridge event.

Motion was made and passed to increase the Director's fee from \$3 table to \$5, effective Sept 18. Cliff will notify the directors.

Note appended from Dennis Scott.

We need 6 total members for the bridge board. Lloyd, Earle Marie and Sally will go off this next term.

Possible members to consider for the board are the Walkers, Denise George, Sam Borkowsky, Mike (?), and Rich (?). Nominations are due in October and election is in November.

Do we have a sectional in 2018? Ann Marie Graves? Martin would consider doing the partnership chair.

Several people are considering taking the director training: Martin Cooper, Jennifer Young, Bill Johnson, and Michelle Rudy.

The next meeting will be Monday, Oct 23 at 12:30 pm.

Jerry's Section Activities

1. Sanction approval obtained – S1707005
2. The great room and the classroom are reserved for the tournament. The cost is \$828.75.
3. All sectional game supplies have been ordered and received.
4. Flyers were completed by Suzanne Star.
5. 500 flyer copies were printed at UPEX
6. Flyers distributed to ABQ, SF, all clubs in NM, El Paso, Pueblo, Durango, Montrose and Grand Junction
7. Purchased box of green bar computer paper
8. Earle Marie Hanson will be partnership chair, assisted by Jennifer Young.
9. Joy Green will be hospitality chair, assisted by Marge Agnew.
10. Mark Mundt has obtained caddies
11. Comfort Inn has again agreed to be our host hotel. Bridge rates are \$89/night. Blocked 10 rooms for Thurs, Fri and Sat. We are supposed to get a comp room if we have over 20 reservations.
12. Ken Horwedel is booked into Comfort Inn, Thurs-Sat.
13. Met with various restaurants and received menus. Will choose meals from them.

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1. Forum ad to Steve and Kitty Cooper for June and July forums.
2. Visit with Bob at County office about covering the windows and reminding building personnel about our times.

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5. Finalize with Ken Horwedel regarding making of boards.

The LADBC board met at the White Rock Senior Center at 12:30 on Monday, Aug 14, 2017.

The minutes for July 2017 were approved.

The financial report was reviewed.

Sectional Report.

The turnout for the sectional was down 22 tables, matching the 1986 attendance. The attendance on Sunday was OK. There were games in Santa Fe on Friday and Saturday that probably affected turnout for the sectional. Friday was a financial loss. We spent \$185 for fill-ins. The unit takes the loss (\$481.96) on a sectional.

Do we have a sectional in 2018? Cliff will look for a chair.

Free plays will be given to members for significant contributions to the sectional. Earle Marie will play free for the remainder of the year. Marge Agnew, Ginny Wilson, and Joy Greene will be given 10 free plays. Jennifer Young will be given 2 free plays.

The Taos Regional is moving along. The Sagebrush Inn is sold out.

Bob and Bob Walker will be taking over the responsibility for the Pinon School bridge classes. Getting teacher sponsorship is very important for success of the program.

Jerry has proposed raising the pay for directors from \$3/table to \$5/table. No decision was made. John Ruminer and Richard Klamman would like to see their director pay go to a charity of their choice.

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The LADBC Board meeting on July 13, 2017 started at 4:15 pm at BESC.

Attendees: Cliff Rudy, Teri Collier, Julia Mundt, Marge Agnew, Earle Marie Hanson, Lloyd Smith and Jerry Fleming

The board approved the minutes for the previous meeting.

The treasurer's (Jerry Fleming) financial report was approved.

Cliff Rudy announced our next board meeting will be held on August 10 in September the board meetings will revert to the original 2nd Monday at the White Rock Library at 11:45.

The primary item of business was an update on the upcoming July 29 - 31 sectional by Julia Mundt .

Santa Fe is taking care of preparing our boards.

The Friday dinner, provided by the Coop, will be box dinners for 70 people. The dinners will be delivered at 5:00. **Cost?** The Sunday lunch, also provided by the Coop, will be \$9 each for a minimum of 100 boxes.

There have been 21 rooms reserved so the director's rooms will be complimentary. Visitor packets will be ready the 19th of July.

A sign up sheet for food and helpers has been distributed.

Pauline Snyder **Schneider**, the director of BESC, will leave on vacation the 25th of July. She said the intercom system is available for those who are hard of hearing. Also, the fans have required new remotes and they are available if needed. One of the critical things to be aware of in the building is blown fuses(resulting from too many coffee makers warming up coffee on the same circuit).

Jerry has arranged to borrow 10 bridge mates **no, not me, but I heard someone was borrowing some from Albuquerque. Taos doesn't have bridgemates**, cup holders from Taos, and tablecloths from Angel Fire **I think they also belong to the Taos bridge club, but Teri would take charge of getting them.**

He also cautioned those responsible to get ice at noon on Friday before they dispose of it.

Julia will remind the county to cover the windows on Wednesday before the tournament.

Jerry said the tournament director **chairperson, not the director** needs to be reminded to contact the ACBL Blast and they will create the tournament agenda. They also provide hand records **this should be funneled through the director in charge by the tournament chair.**

An important designated partner procedure was raised by Jerry. The past system was too confusing for the directors. After some discussion of alternatives it was decided to give the stand-in volunteers passes to present to the tournament director.

A new player is looking for an afternoon-game partner. Cliff volunteered to find him a partner.

Since he is unable to attend this meeting and her next one, it was suggested that Dennis Scott send us an update on bridge activities from Taos.

The next meeting will take place August 10th at the BESC at 4:15 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Marge Agnew

The LADBC board met at the White Rock Senior Center at 12:33 on Monday, June 19, 2017.

We did not have a quorum. Sally Wilkins, Jerry Fleming, Cliff Rudy were present.

The minutes for April 2017 were approved. The Board did not meet in May.

The financial report was reviewed. Little has changed.

Sectional Update.

Director has changed. New one is Lynn Yokel from Seattle. She(he?) has the hand records. She(he) will stay 4 nights: Thurs-Sun.

Meals – A cold meal for Sunday is preferred. Possibly something like Subway lunch packs.

Jerry is considering Daniels for Friday night.

Mark has arranged for caddies.

Ping Pong conflict has been resolved.

Coffee should be started at 7:30 on Saturday and 8:00 on Sunday.

Setup will be at noon on Friday.

Cliff would like for the club to contribute to the Longest Day events (6/21) to benefit the ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION at Duke City and Taos. He suggests \$100 to each club. Since there is not a quorum, Cliff will consider polling the board via the internet.

The next meeting will be Monday, July 10 at 12:30 pm.

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The LADBC met at the White Rock Senior Center at 12:45 on Monday, April 10, 2017.

We had a quorum. Cliff Rudy, Sally Wilkins, Jerry Fleming, Martin Cooper, Earle Marie Hanson.

The minutes for March 2017 were approved.

The financial report was reviewed. We are well stocked with supplies. The bridge club accounts are picking up after paying our contributions. The unit financial report is where sectional costs are recorded.

See attached report of the status of the LADBC sectional provided by Jerry.

Jerry is still considering where to get the Friday and Sunday meals. Subway may be a good option for Friday night. The consensus from previous participants is a preference for a hot meal for the Sunday lunch.

Martin says the designated partner on the web site contains garbage. The site has probably been hacked. We will be paying Bill Dorin a gratuity of \$100 and we should ask him to look at the web site – maybe he can clean it up.

Earle Marie says the Friday games at Pinon are suffering from the use of snow days taken on Friday. The kids complain about missing their class. Earle Marie would like to do more traveling and she would like for someone else to take over the Friday classes at Pinon next year.

The next meeting will be Monday, May 8 at 12:45 pm, if we need to have a board meeting.

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We had a quorum. Cliff Rudy, Sally Wilkins, Lloyd Smith, Martin Cooper.

The minutes for Jan 2017 were approved.

The financial report provided by Jerry was reviewed. Our Charity gifts were paid in January: \$1000 to BESC, \$500 to WRSC, \$500 to Jennifer Fleming Scholarship fund.

Jerry Fleming will be the chair for the Los Alamos Sectional, July 28-30. He will need some help.

The Comfort Inn is the Local hotel with which we have rooms reserved for out of town participants.

Martin will not be in town for the tournament, but will provide assistance ahead of time. He will contact Jerry.

We had some discussion about dropping the 299r games at the sectional and replacing them with 499r games. Santa Fe has 2 tournaments and has 299r games in one but not in the other. We also talked about raising fees. This discussion could be continued via email, but will be left to Jerry's discretion.

The Tuesday night game has been cancelled for good. The last game will be Tuesday, Feb 21. Jerry will give a presentation at 6:15.

The next meeting will be Monday, March 13 at 12:45 pm.

The LADBC met at the White Rock Library at 12:00 on Monday, January 16, 2017.

We had a quorum. Jerry Fleming, Cliff Rudy, Earle Marie Hanson, Sally Wilkins, Lloyd Smith, Martin Cooper.

The minutes for Dec 2016 were approved as corrected.

We reviewed the club expenses and end of year assets. The numbers are pretty much the same as the last few years.

Since January 1, 2017, the club has purchased a new computer and case. Do we need a new printer for White Rock? Richard says 'no one' is interested in printed copies of the Monday results.

Taos will hold a regional in 2017 and will manage their own expenses outside Unit 381.

The Los Alamos Sectional will be July 28-30. We need a chair.

The Tuesday night game as been cancelled for the time being, due to low attendance and the director's, Mark Mundt, travel schedule. If Mark would like to try games again in February, we welcome his efforts.

The local charities we support will remain the Betty Ehart Senior Center, the White Rock Senior Center, and the Jennifer Fleming scholarship.

Participants earn more master points for charity Games.

Regarding LADBC.com – Bill Dorin moved LADBC.org to a new server with a .com extension, and .org no longer exists. Some of the capabilities have also gone away. Would Bill be willing to move the .org designation to the new server? Would Jim George be willing to help with updates on the web site? Martin Cooper offered to help Jim with the issues.

Bob and Laurie Walker will represent the Pinon kids bridge at the Pinon Science Fair Night. The kids will make a banner. We voted to pay for the supplies for the banner.

We think that the volunteers at Pinon should be given a free play for their efforts at Pinon. **I did not record a vote.**

The next meeting will be Monday, February 13 at 12:45 pm.