

MINUTES
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE UNITED STATES BRIDGE FEDERATION
FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 2019
2:00 PM EST
BY CONFERENCE CALL

Directors Present: Kate Aker, Mark Aquino, David Caprera, Marty Fleisher, Beth Palmer, Josh Parker; Absent: Brad Moss

Others Present: Julie Arbit, Marty Harris, Jan Martel, Stan Subeck

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Marty Fleisher at 2:02 pm EST.

II. ATTENDANCE: ESTABLISH QUORUM

The president noted that at least a majority of the directors were present at the meeting, thus establishing a quorum for the purpose of transacting business by the Board.

III. IREACH DISCUSSION

The Board discussed whether to ask the ACBL to let the USBF or NABF run an IREACH (International Regional At the Club House) in 2019 to raise money toward WBF dues. Based on feedback from club owners, we would ask the ACBL to change the way in which masterpoints are awarded to make it both more transparent and to have a lower top award but more depth. Mark Aquino has agreed to take the lead in this. He has discussed with David Metcalfe how to change the masterpoint formula to have a lower top but slower drop-off of awards. The Board authorized Mark Aquino to discuss the feasibility of ACBL authorizing either the NABF or the USBF to run an IREACH in 2019 and to have a different masterpoint formula for the IREACH on an experimental basis.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board went into Executive Session. Marty invited, Julie Arbit, Marty Harris, Jan Martel and Stan Subeck to join. The Board came out of Executive Session.

V. NEXT MEETING

The next Board meeting will be at the Memphis NABC on Monday, March 25th at 11:00 am.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm EST.