# **MINUTES**

# THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED STATES BRIDGE FEDERATION

# NOVEMBER 13,2007 8 PM CST VIA CONFERENCE CALL

Directors Present: Steve Beatty, Joan Gerard, Bob Hamman, Jan Martel, Rose

Meltzer, and Bill Pollack.

Others Present: Peter Rank, Gary Blaiss; Barbara Nudelman, Michael

Becker

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Jan Martel at 8:05pm CST

# II. ATTENDANCE: ESTABLISH QUORUM

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

# III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MEETING OF OCTOBER 25, 2007

The minutes were accepted and approved as submitted.

#### IV. REPORT ON NOMINATING COMMITTEE ACTION – ROSE MELTZER

Reported that Steve Beatty will stand for another term and George Jacobs will be nominated for the vacant spot. There may be others.

Bill Pollack will be chairman of the Election Committee

# V. JENNY WOLPERT REQUEST; MELIH OZDIL REQUEST

Jenny Wolpert has requested that the USBF ask the WBF to shorten the time a player has to wait before playing for a different country. She has not played for Sweden in two years. Carried 5-1. Sweden also needs to concur.

Melih Ozdil has asked to join the USBF as a resident member. He meets our residency requirements and has not played for another country in 3 years. He has applied for a Green Card. Request granted unanimously

#### VI. OLD BUSINESS

None

#### VII. NEW BUSINESS

It was moved and seconded that Rita Shugart be appointed a temporary member of the Grievance & Appeals Committee. Motion carried unanimously –

SOLOWAY TROPHY – Jan suggested that the USBF might like to have a trophy in honor of Paul Soloway. She suggested that a trophy for the winners of the USBC might be possible. However, it is believed that there is an Ira J. Corn trophy for this event. There was agreement that Jan should look into this and that the USBF would like to do something in Paul's honor.

Prior to the scheduling of the next meetings, the Board went into Executive Session.

# VIII. SCHEDULING OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting was scheduled for Monday, November 26, 2007 at the NABC in Rose's Suite after the evening session.

Another meeting was scheduled for Monday, December 17, 2007 at 8:00pm CST via conference call.

### IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10pm CST.