

**District 21**  
**American Contract Bridge League**  
Annual Meeting of the District 21 Board of Directors – Part I  
January 9, 2021

The Virtual Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of District 21 was called to order by President Ray Yuenger at 10:06 A.M... The Treasurer's report was given and approved. The meeting minutes from Santa Clara were approved with one correction. The Tournament Manager, Western Conference representative, and District Director gave reports.

The By- Laws changes were presented. First Ray displayed the proposed Technical Amendments. Numbers 11 and 12 names Unit "Representatives" being more correctly addressed as "Directors". With the exception of numbers 6 and 8, the remaining technical amendments were passed by unanimous consent. Tracey Bauer asked that number 6, and Cornelia Gould asked that number 8, be discussed. Discussion of number 8 addressed changing the notes about mail and email to a footnote. Cornelia suggested that since it is only mentioned twice in the document it could simply left as it was in the prior By-Laws. Cornelia made a motion that the items not be changed. The motion was seconded. Art Mirin suggested that a change could just be built into the text. Cornelia withdrew her motion. Art made a motion that personal delivery, USPS, and electronic mail is included in the text. It was seconded and the motion passed by unanimous consent.

Discussion of number 6 it was submitted that instead of s/he be changed to more gender neutral terminology. Tracey explained that they/them/their is no longer specifically plural as language has evolved and recommended it as an acceptable change. Sigrid Price asked if the substitution of "that individual" could be used instead. Many people expressed opinions. Art made a motion that wherever possible he/she be replaced with "that individual" or "they/their/them". It was seconded. There was one "no" vote, not enough to merit a weighted vote.

Ray then addressed the Substantive Amendments to the By-Laws. There were three proposed amendments (numbers 4, 6, and 10) which were challenged. The remaining amendments were passed by unanimous consent. Number 4 suggested that the District Director no longer have a vote in district meetings since this will now become a Regional position and the Director may no longer be a member of our District. Following discussion, by unanimous consent the District Director will no longer have a vote.

Number 10 addressed the mandatory inclusion of the Western Conference Rep hold a seat on the Executive Committee. Following discussion a weighted vote was held and by two-thirds majority, the position of the Western Conference Rep will remain on the Executive Committee. Number 6 proposed changes to the length of the terms of each of the four elected officials – President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. Most years the second year of an officer's term is uncontested. The proposal is to make the terms two years instead of one. Discussion followed with no consensus reached. It will be continued to the next meeting.

Ginny Wailes presented Goodwill Awards to Libby Longstreth, Tony Jackson, John Schwartz, Dan Bergmann, Jill Wallace and Lyn Sacco. The President's Goodwill was awarded to Jackie Lowenberg.

It was decided that a second meeting will be held on January 30, 2021, at 10 A.M. Since we did not hold the elections of officers a motion was made to allow the sitting officers continue to serve until an election is held at that time.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:35 P.M.

Part II of the Annual Meeting will be held on January 30.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandi Davis, Secretary  
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Annual Meeting of the District 21 Board of Directors – Part II  
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The Virtual Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of District 21 was called to order by President Ray Yuenger at 10:06 A.M. The Goodwill Awards were presented to the two recipients that were not announced at the 1/9/21 meeting due to time constraints – Tony Jackson and Dan Bergmann. The Tournament Coordinator and NAP Chair gave reports.

The remaining By- Laws change was presented. Ray raised the discussion of whether the one year terms for President and Vice President should be changed to two year terms. Following discussion a motion was made to change the term to two years. The motion failed and the terms will remain as noted in past By-Laws.

Election of officers for 2021 was held. Secretary Sandi Davis, Treasurer Jean Barry and Vice President Sigrid Price were unopposed and elected by acclamation. Ray asked if there were any nominations for President and Tracey Bauer was nominated from the floor. Each candidate was given the opportunity to speak to the Board and answer questions. Following a weighted vote Tracey was elected by a vote of 35.5 to 32.5.

Next a vote was held for the two open seats on the Board of Governors. Candidates Anne Hollingsworth, Max Schireson, and Jackie Zayac were given the opportunity to speak and answer questions. Following a weighted vote, Anne Hollingsworth and Jackie Zayac were elected.

Stu Goodgold said the NAP tournament will be held online this year. ACBL pays the winners for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place. D21 has always paid the 3<sup>rd</sup> place finishers asked for consideration. A motion was made and by a vote of 43-15 the motion was passed to pay the 3rd place finishers.

Charity Chair Jeff Hack asked if the District wants to distribute money this year as we are receiving no income due to the pandemic. A motion was made and by a vote of 43 – 25 it was passed that there will be no charity distributions made in 2021.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandi Davis, Secretary  
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