

**Minutes of the Unit 194 Board Meeting
Held Saturday Sept. 24, 2005 in Coldbrook**

Present: Martin Pink, Bill Halliday, Karl Hicks, Kerri Hicks, Edgar Blinn, John Tolson, Hilary Hayden, Kathie Macnab and Bram Schwartz. Also attending: Mike Hartop

1. Martin Pink called the meeting to order at 11:00 and an agenda was reviewed.
2. Minutes from the May meeting in Bridgewater were distributed and with no errors or omissions were moved for approval by Hilary Hayden, seconded by John Tolson; motion carried.
3. Martin Pink displayed the photograph and certificate our Unit received for the Leading Unit in Growth Membership Development in District 1. This photo and certificate will be displayed on the Unit web site.
4. Martin Pink read a letter from Joe Currie requesting Linda Holland be nominated as a member of the ACBL National Goodwill Committee. It was pointed out from present Goodwill committee members that the District president usually made the appointment to ACBL members involved in Unit or District work or committees. Prospective members for this committee have not come from the Unit level in the past. Martin will send along the request to George Retek.
5. **INSURANCE.** Martin Pink notified the board that he had received a letter from George Retek outlining a general insurance policy being offered by the A. C. B. L. This insurance is to protect Unit board directors from circumstances that could arise if we were to be named as defendants or involved in a lawsuit. Mike Hartop, our Zone 1 representative, announced that this insurance package was still under review at the District level. After some discussion it was decided to wait for the District decision on whether or not they recommend us to purchase the insurance. Bill Halliday will scan and circulate the insurance policy and it will be discussed further in November.
6. There was a short discussion resulting from a letter to Martin Pink from a player of the Bridgewater club who was seeking for Unit involvement in a local club incident. It was decided that the Unit Board of Directors should not be involved in a club decision concerning the late arrival of players. The Unit board decided this issue should be resolved at the club level.
7. The Yarmouth Sectional will be held April 7 – 9 and it was decided that that was not too close to the Don Cox Memorial Sectional Tournament. Martin promised the usual friendly atmosphere, but not Lobster Dinner as it is too expensive to run, but there will be Lobster Rolls available in the hospitality suite.
8. Bill Halliday circulated the Financial Report and moved for it to be approved. Seconded by Kathie Macnab.
9. **MOTION** It was recommended by G. Holland that the Halifax WINTER Sectional (January 2006) introduce a Saturday morning stratified pairs game, beginning at 9:00 am. E. Blinn will direct. Moved by K. Macnab, Seconded by J. Tolson motion was carried.
10. There was some discussion on the action taken by the Unit 194 team 'B' flight team at the 2005 CBF Bridge Week. M. Pink, Unit President agreed to deal with the matter directly with the players involved.
11. The Annual General Meeting will be held in Halifax, Saturday November 12th at 11:00. The Unit executive is to convene at 10:30 a.m.

Meeting was adjourned.

**Bill Halliday,
Unit 194 Secretary Treasurer.**