Present: Janelle Courtright, Paul Grygier, Bob jiobu, Trish Jones, Sherry McArdle, Frank Paynter, Lewis Rakocy, Joe Wernet, and Judy Williamson

Absent: Toni Bales, Tom Bishel, Dave Maul, Cheryl Schneider, and Peter Wahl

President Janelle Courtright called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. at the York Golf Club (7459 N. High St., Columbus, 43235). Discussions were held with the clubhouse manager Chuck Dahn to finalize arrangements for the upcoming Sectionals.

To promote the January Sectional, the fliers will need to include a map. Signs will be needed to direct participants to the clubhouse. The Sectional is scheduled for the same weekend as the Cleveland Tournament. Janelle will see if the dates can be changed. Joe Wernet and Lew Rakocy will co-chair the Tournament. A vote was taken to determine if the tournament fee should be raised. Members voted 5 to 4 to raise the fee to \$12. Janelle will poll the absent board members to get their input.

Much discussion was made on what to do about the Sunday Swiss Game for the October Sectional. Joe Wernet made a suggestion of a seeded handicap scramble. While this sounded interesting, there was some question on whether this would be legal under ACBL rules. Janelle will check with Tournament Director Mike Roberts about this. Other options are to leave it bracketed, stratify it, or handicap and stratify it. Janelle will poll the absent board members for their opinions.

Minutes from the June 27<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved.

After the completion of the October Sectional, COBA's tables can no longer be stored at the Haimerl Center. The Board was asked to come up with suggestions for storage.

COBA's dealing machine is currently at the Columbus Bridge Center. The Columbus Bridge Center uses the machine without charge in exchange for maintaining it. The Board thought it was time to have it serviced. Frank Paynter volunteered to take care of this.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Grygier

## Addendum:

On Thu, Aug 16, 2018, 8:57 PM Janelle Courtright wrote:

All: I have heard from most of you regarding how to run the swiss teams at the Sectionals. The majority vote was to stratify and handicap the swiss teams in the October and January sectionals. Also, since we are moving into a new facility, the board has decided to raise the price of the games at the January from \$10 to \$12.