

Unit 356 Annual Meeting Minutes

Date: November 22, 2020
Zoom Virtual Meeting

Diana Galis, president, called the meeting to order at noon, welcoming everyone present on their computers. There were 34 present with 40 needed for a quorum. The first item discussed was the proposed new by-laws. Ron Bliss explained the background for the changes, which were necessitated by updating them to conform to AZ law. Discussion among the unit members was focused on Article 6.13. Diana agreed to rewrite the provision for removing board members based on members' suggestions. Steve Reynolds proposed sending out pros and cons to the by-law changes with the ballots.

Jack Shoemaker, head of the nomination committee for new board members, introduced the nominees with their biographies on everyone's screen. Nominees are: Hurd Baruch, Jared Boulds, Suzanne Greenwood, Bonnie Hertzog, Carolyn Reynolds, Steve Reynolds, and Nora Tkacz. Ballots will be sent to all unit members to vote for no more than 5 of the nominees. Depending on the results of the vote on the proposed new by-laws, either 3 or 5 board members will be selected.

Jared Boulds, treasurer, reported on the finances of the unit. Even with the pandemic, the unit is breaking even with \$57,600 in the bank. At the end of 2019, the unit had \$57,700. Fortunately, there have been no cancellation fees for previously scheduled tournaments.

After the conclusion of the meeting, Diana sent out the ballots with the proposed amendment to Article 6.13:

Section 6.13. Removal. A Director may be removed at any meeting of the Board of Directors provided a majority of the disinterested directors present shall so vote. The Director subject to removal shall be notified by certified mail of the proposed removal. The Director shall have a reasonable opportunity at the meeting to object to and argue against removal and may be represented by counsel.

Pros and cons to the by-laws were included. The by-laws were passed by more than two thirds of the votes. Therefore, the 3 nominees for the board with the most votes were Jared Boulds, Suzanne Greenwood, and Bonnie Hertzog.

Voting was concluded at 5 PM, Friday, December 4.

Susan Johnstone,
Secretary