

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE USBF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Monday, October 15, 2007 - 4:30pm – Pacific Time

The USBF Board of Directors met by conference call on Monday, October 15, 2007 at 4:30pm Pacific Time.

Jan Martel, president of the USBF called the meeting to order

Present: Jan Martel, president; Steve Beatty, Joan Gerard, Bob Hamman, Rose Meltzer, LouAnn O'Rourke, Bill Pollack

Also present: Peter Rank, Gary Blaiss

A quorum was established. Peter Rank, legal counsel for the USBF, stated that according to the USBF By-Laws a board meeting can be called without proper notice and be official if all members of the board are present and do not protest the lack of notice. All members were present and no one protested the lack of notice. . The board then went into Executive Session.

The board came out of Executive Session at 5:45pm Pacific Time and went back into Open Session.

By a 6-0 vote with Bill Pollack abstaining because of his possible conflict of interest it was agreed that a letter of regret will be written to the president of the Chinese Contract Bridge Association and to Mr. Jose Damiani, President of the World Bridge Federation regarding the incident at the Closing Ceremonies on Saturday, October 13, 2007 in Shanghai when the US Women's team received their gold medals and remained on stage during the playing of the US National Anthem while holding a sign "we did not vote for Bush". This letter of regret will be written by Jan Martel and approved by an e-mail vote of the full board. The board also agreed that these Minutes could be approved by e-mail vote and they have been so approved.

The board further agreed to meet again next week to discuss this incident.

This meeting was adjourned at 6:15pm Pacific Time.