

WITT Meeting New Orleans July2010

Present : Beth Palmer, Chairman, Cheri Bjerkan, Rozanne Pollack, Cindy Bernstein, Martha Katz, Peggy Sutherlin, David Sokolow, Sylvia Moss, Gail Greenberg, Terry Lavender, Nadine Wood, Jan Martel, Joan Gerard and guest Barbara Nudelman.

The trials for 2012 are proposed for Green Valley in Las Vegas in early May, the day after Mothers Day. They would start on the same day as the Open trials.

A discussion was held about having a repacharge to choose the second team in the Venice cup years. The advantages are that the teams would get to play for more than two days. The disadvantages are that an extra day or day and a half would be added to the event. The financial implications would probably be neutral. A 4-3 vote was taken in favor of the repacharge. The conditions will not be changed in 2011, but will be for 2013.

Terry announced that the starting times for the Women's and Senior Trials in 2011 must be the same. As a middle ground they will begin at 10:30 am. In addition she will need another director at least for the first few days.

Conditions on the number of boards played in a day were clarified so that we should get as close as possible to 60 boards in a day. If there is a bye, this could be extended to 64 boards in play. In any case there will be a 1½ hour dinner break. The boards must be duplicated.

Answers to survey questions were: (1) the professional players were in favor of having trials every year; (2) No online play.

The Hall of Fame Committee needs some women on the committee.

The next meeting will be held on Saturday, November 27, 11:30 p.m. in Crystal E, Marriott World Center, Orlando.