WITT Meeting Pittsburgh March 2005

Present: Beth Palmer, Chairman, Cheri Bjerkan, Sylvia Moss, Nadine Wood, Rosanne Pollack, Jo Morse, Carlyn Steiner, David and Tobi Sokolow, Jan Martel, and Charlie MacCracken.

A discussion was held about the draft Augmentation report. The proposed draft was rejected and the ITT suggestion of having a list of eligible players for the teams to pick was accepted. We need at least six women for the credentials committee. There was a unanimous vote to pick eight women for this committee. (Note: Subsequently by email vote we nominated the following nine members who were accepted by the USBF: Cheri Bjerkan, Gail Greenberg, Amalya Kearse, Betty Ann Kennedy, Beth Palmer, Sue Picus, Rozanne Pollack, Kerri Sanborn, and Peggy Sutherlin.)

The problem of sponsors not playing in the qualifying events for positioning points was discussed. By a 5-2 vote it was decided to reduce positioning points by 50% for events a sponsor did not play. In addition two wins with the sponsor are necessary to get to the semi-finals.

We still need to work on getting women to play in women's events. It was decided to hold a welcome reception between sessions on Monday, the first day of the Wagar. Subsequently, arrangements were made to hold this event July 25, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Hanover Hall G, Hyatt Regency, exhibit level.

Next meeting: Monday, July 25, 8:00 p.m. Hanover Hall F, Hyatt Regency, exhibit level.