Unit 255 Board of Director Meeting
March 9, 2026
Minutes

Niagara Unit 255

Attendance

Present: Muriel Tremblay, Claude Tremblay, Wiebe Hoogland, Brian Jones, Kathy Morrison,

Regrets: Ginger Grant, Sheila Langstaff

1) **Welcome and Call to Order** Muriel

Muriel called the meeting to order at 4:25

2) **Approval of Agenda**

Item added to discuss Local Sectional Tournament at BCON Muriel

Motion: Claude **Second: Wiebe Approved**

3) **Review and Approval of Minutes** from January 5, 2025- attached Muriel

Motion: Muriel **Second: Kathy** **Approved**

a) Business arising from Minutes Muriel

Brian will call Chandi re: Brock contact

4) **Treasurer's 2025 Financial Year End Statement** – attached Kathy

Kathy presented the Corporate figures for year end.

Motion: Claude Second: Kathy Approved

Kathy then presented the February numbers as a the start of the 2026 financial year.

Revenue came from the results of the February Sectional and the sponsorship of August and November.

The report was approved.

5) **Tournament Coordinator Report** – attached Claude

- Except on Regional too far ahead, all other tournaments have been sanctioned through 2034
- February Sectional had a table increase of 37% to 263 tables
- Muriel would like 2025 Member Benefit numbers for the AGM.
- Claude updated his recommendations for transferring the Sponsorship monies:
  - Even years - $2000 for February and August tournaments and $2000 for November Open Sectional
  - Odd years - $3000 for February and $3000 for the August Sectional

- Moved by Claude, seconded by Wiebe. Approved

6) **Membership** Wiebe

We have 265members. Wiebe is calling members receiving first or second notices.

7) **Plan and Budget for the AGM** – April 11 Muriel

- Agreed that Agenda, AGM Minutes from 2025, 2025/2026 Financial Statement, 2026/2027 Budget and winners of Mini-McKinney and Ace of Clubs to be posted on web site.
- Claude will look after the tickets
- Lunch at 12, AGM at 1:30 pm, Game to follow
- Budget presented by Kathy
    - Motion: Kathy Second: Claude Approved

8) **District 2 Update** – AGM on March 28 Wiebe

9) Update on Policy Manual

- Wiebe has put together a new Policy & Procedures Manual for the Unit.
- The Board is asked by Muriel, to review and prepare for discussion at our next Meeting

10) New Business

- Dena Jones had suggested we obtain Tournament stickers as give aways for our Tournaments.
- Kathy Morrison to contact Darlene Scott

11) **Next Meeting** June 15, 2026 at BCON

12) **Meeting terminated** at 5:42.

UNIT 255 2025 FINANCIALS														
OPENING BALANCE	46,872.48	46,627.01	44,442.42	44,201.51	44,054.97	44,253.82	43,541.17	41,623.88	48,325.52	47,755.89	47,035.08	64,677.77	58,171.26	
TOTAL IN	3,065.40	(2,057.07)	(2.11)	2,223.84	398.46	316.58	8.78	6,704.34	274.22	294.92	17,735.24	(5,239.22)	26.49	
TOTAL OUT	$ 3,310.87	127.52	238.80	2,370.38	199.61	1,029.23	1,926.07	2.70	843.85	1,015.73	92.55	1,267.29	3,045.97	
BANK BALANCE	46,627.01	44,442.42	44,201.51	44,054.97	44,253.82	43,541.17	41,623.88	48,325.52	47,755.89	47,035.08	64,677.77	58,171.26	55,151.78	
REVENUE														
	Janurary	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	TOTAL
CBF				300.00										300.00
ACBL MEMBERSHIP	537.19			459.44			278.86			279.86				1,555.35
AGM				1,448.50	14.11									1,462.61
MISC INCOME														-
STAC MAY								174.88						174.88
STAC OCTOBER														-
TOURNMENT FEBRUARY	2,500.00	(2,074.85)												425.15
TOURNAMENT JUNE														-
TOURNAMENT AUGUST			(20.00)					1,514.81						1,494.81
TOURNAMENT NOVEMBER							(287.33)	5,000.00			17,721.71	(5,259.52)		17,174.86
INTEREST INCOME	28.21	17.78	17.89	15.90	384.35	316.58	17.25	14.65	274.22	15.06	13.53	20.30	26.49	1,162.21
TOTAL INCOME	3,065.40	(2,057.07)	(2.11)	2,223.84	398.46	316.58	8.78	6,704.34	274.22	294.92	17,735.24	(5,239.22)	26.49	23,749.87
OPERATING EXPENSES														
AUDIT				50.00										50.00
BOARD DINNER										420.05				
MEETING VENUE	100.00													100.00
BANK CHARGES	2.70	11.40	1.05	1.65	2.70	1.20	4.20	2.70	2.55	1.50	2.55	3.00	1.35	38.55
EDUCATION			237.75	(200.00)			200.00							237.75
EXPENDIBLE SUPPLIES							1,131.87							1,131.87
CLUB SUPPORT BCON	500.00			500.00			500.00		624.00	500.00		500.00		3,124.00
CLUB SUPPORT NOTL						600.00						250.00		850.00
NABC														-
INSURANCE				270.00										270.00
MEMBERS RECOGNITION						73.53	90.00				90.00		100.00	353.53
KIBITIZER		116.12			122.41				217.30			155.01		610.84
PIANOLA						354.50				361.36		359.28		1,075.14
SPECIAL GAMES AGM				1,748.73	74.50									1,823.23
SPECIAL ROOKIE GAME														-
STORAGE	2,708.17												2,944.62	5,652.79
WEBSITE														-
TOURNAMENT EQUIPMENT										152.87				152.87
TOTAL EXPENSES	$ 3,310.87	127.52	238.80	2,370.38	199.61	1,029.23	1,926.07	2.70	843.85	1,015.73	92.55	1,267.29	3,045.97	15,470.57
TOTAL INCOME OR LOSS	(245.47)	(2,184.59)	(240.91)	(146.54)	198.85	(712.65)	(1,917.29)	6,701.64	(569.63)	(720.81)	17,642.69	(6,506.51)	(3,019.48)	8,279.30

UNIT 255 FINANCIALS February 1 2026 to January 31 2027		
OPENING BALANCE	$ 54,732	
TOTAL IN	$ 7,851	
TOTAL OUT	$ 139	
BANK BALANCE	$ 62,444	
REVENUE	**February**	**TOTAL**
		-
ACBL MEMBERSHIP	$ 543.48	$ 543.48
AGM		$ -
MISC INCOME		$ -
STAC MAY		$ -
STAC OCTOBER		$ -
TOURNMENT FEBRUARY	$ 3,283.83	$ 3,283.83
TOURNAMENT AUGUST	$ 2,000.00	$ 2,000.00
TOURNAMENT NOVEMBER	$ 2,000.00	$ 2,000.00
INTEREST INCOME	$ 23.96	$ 23.96
		$ -
TOTAL INCOME	**$ 7,851.27**	**$ 7,851.27**
OPERATING EXPENSES		
AUDIT		$ -
ADMINISTATION		$ -
BANK CHARGES	$ 3.00	$ 3.00
EDUCATION		$ -
EXPENDIBLE SUPPLIES		$ -
CLUB SUPPORT BCON		$ -
CLUB SUPPORT NOTL		$ -
NABC		$ -
INSURANCE		$ -
MEMBERS RECOGNITION		$ -
KIBITIZER		$ -
PIANOLA		$ -
SPECIAL GAMES AGM		$ -
STORAGE		$ -
WEBSITE	$ 135.80	$ 135.80
TOURNAMENT EQUIPMENT		$ -
TOTAL EXPENSES	**$ 138.80**	**$ 138.80**
TOTAL INCOME OR LOSS	**$7,712.47**	**$7,712.47**

Unit 255 Tournament Chair

Report

March 9th, 2026

The attendance and associated financial results of U255 Tournaments for the past few years are shown below. Unit 255 has made $100,337 from the tournaments since 2018.

Unit 255 Tournaments Summary

Year	Regional				Sectional															
06-Mar-2026	November				February				May				August				November			
	Tables	%	$		Tables	%	$	Member	Tables	%	$	Member	Tables	%	$	Member	Tables	%	$	Member
2004																				
2005																				
2017	1,166	6	12,314		355	4	2,345						113	(10)						
2018					252	(29)	(2,391)						97	(14)	1,231		268		5,024	
2019	1,129	(3)	20,052		334	33	2,913		198		3,634		125	29	3,936					
2020					261	(22)	1,891				COVID				COVID				COVID	
2021			COVID				COVID				COVID				COVID				COVID	
2022	729	(35)	8,305				COVID		83	(58)	[illegible],728		57	(54)	1,275					
2023	725	(1)	19,071		219	(16)	742		77	(7)	[illegible]88		65	14	2,021					
2024					221	0	2,190	494	65	(16)	[illegible]	232	79	21	1,766	272	152		2,762	729
2025	750	3	17,174	2,057	191	(14)	425	684					71	(10)	1,501	167				
2026					263	37	3283	603												
2027																				
2028																				
Total			**64,602**	**2,057**			**9,053**	**1,781**			**7,167**	**232**			**11,730**	**439**			**7,786**	**729**
Grand Total			**100,337**																	
Member's Benefit			**5,238**																	

Closed

Unit 255 Tournament Schedule

Except for the Regional too far ahead, all our other tournaments have been sanctioned by ACBL. See attached list of status of current tournament until 2035.

Tournament Results

Our February Sectional had 263 tables an increase of 37% from last year and brought in $3,283. Kathy Morrison who replaced Cathy Williams for this year, will report separately on this tournament. A financial summary is attached part of this report.

Sponsorship

Our sponsor, Jackie Morrison, has e-transferred $6,000 for 2026 and it is up to the Unit to distribute it amongst the tournaments. I will update my recommendation previously made for distribution of the sponsorship as follows;

> **Even year when we have an Open Sectional in November: $2,000 each for February and August tournament and $2,000 for the November Sectional.**
> **Odd year when we have a Regional: $3,000 for February and $3,000 for August.**

Membership Benefit Program

Our Member Benefit Program continues to be well received and highly successful.

Open Sectional Budget & Actual

February 13-15, 2026

	06-Mar-2026				
				Open	
Probability of Table Count		**100%**		2025	
			$US	**Budget**	**Actual**
No.Tables.		210.00		210.00	262.5
Entry Fee		$ 17.00			
Student Fee		$ 10.00			
Exchange Rate		38%			
Sanction Fee per table $US		$ 4.00			
Equipment Rental & Supplies					
Per Diem (Local)		$ 50.00			
Per Diem (ACBL)		$ 109.45			
Director Fee/session		$ 300.00			
Associate Director/session		$ 300.00			
Pre-Dealing		$ 10.00			
Caddies		$ 55.00			
Income					
	Tables	210.00	262.5	$ 14,280.00	17,850.00
	Non-ACBL members				8.00
	Students. **EXTRA FEES**				(56.00)
	Free Entries (Volunteers)				(204.00)
	Niagara Bucks Redeemed			(400.00)	(384.00)
	Niagara Bucks Member's Bene	228/201		(700.00)	(603.00)
	Rounding				0.43
	Sponsorhip 1	Jackie		$ 2,000.00	2,000.00
	Sponsorhip 2				
Total Income				**$ 15,180.00**	**18,611.43**
Expenses					
	Honorarium $200/day			$ 600.00	600.00
	Hospitality Honorarium			$ 100.00	150.00
	Hospitality Room			$ 320.00	0.00
	Director fees/session		6	$ 1,800.00	1,800.00
	Associate Director/session		6	$ 1,800.00	1,800.00
	Accommodation			$ 300.00	367.08
	Transportation			$ 250.00	
	Per Diem (ACBL)			$ 328.35	328.35
	Per diem		6	$ 300.00	300.00
A	Directing ACBL **(US)**		$ 1,440.00	$ 1,987.20	1,987.20
C	ACBL sanction fees: $4.00/tab		$ 1,050.00	$ 1,159.20	1,449.00
C	Surcharge **(US)**		$ 225.00	$ 310.50	310.50
B	ACBL duplicated hands **(US)**		$ -	$ -	
L	Non Member Fees **(US)**		$ 5.80	$ 8.00	8.00
	Sub-Total **(US)**		$ 2,720.80		
	Venue			$ 4,802.50	4,495.42
	Equipment Rental & Supplies cube Van			$ 200.00	170.64
	Hand records and Printouts			$ 100.00	63.28
	Pre-dealing	22	22	$ 220.00	220.00
	Caddies		0	$ -	0.00
	Volunteers (Exclusive of Free Entries)			$ 135.00	30.00
	Prizes			$ 1,092.00	0.00
	Publicity			$ 150.00	0.00
	Hospitality			$ 1,200.00	1,248.13
	Entertainment				
	Exchange on TD Expenses				
	Credit Card Charge			$ 60.00	
	Miscelleneous (see UTC)			$ 500.00	0.00
Total Expenses				**$ 17,722.75**	**15,327.60**
Profit/(Loss)				**$ (2,542.75)**	**3,283.83**

Unit 255 Tournaments List

	March 5, 2026							
	Month	**Date**	**Tournament**	**Location**	**Venue**	**Sanction**	**Chair**	**Comments**
2026	February	13-15	Sectional	St Catharines	Holiday Inn	2602304	Cathy	Contracted
	February	16-22	STAC	CBF	Clubs			
	March	14-15	Sectional Open	BCON	BCON	2603362	Brian	Booked
	August	14-16	Sectional 750	NOTL	Com Centre	2608303	Brian	Submitted
	November	6-8	Sectional Open	NOTL	Com Centre	2611304	Cathy	Submitted
2027	February	19-21	Sectional	St Catharines	Holiday Inn	2702303		Contracted
	February	15-21	STAC	CBF	Clubs			
	August	13-15	Sectional 750	NOTL	Com Centre	2708301	Brian	Submitted
	November	9-14	Regional	St Catharines	Holiday Inn	2711101	Kathy	Contracted
2028	February	18-20	Sectional	St Catharines	Holiday Inn	2802303		Contracted
	February	13-Jul	STAC	CBF	Clubs			
	August	18-20	Sectional 750	NOTL	Com Centre	2808301	Brian	Submitted
	November	10-12	Sectional Open	NOTL	Com Centre	2811301	Cathy	Submitted
2029	February	16-18	Sectional	St Catharines	Holiday Inn	2902301		Contracted
	February	19-25	STAC	CBF	Clubs			
	August	17-19	Sectional 750	NOTL	Com Centre	2908301	Brian	Submitted
	November	6-11	Regional	St Catharines	Holiday Inn	2911101	Kathy	Contracted
2030	February	15-17	Sectional	St Catharines	Holiday Inn	3002301		Contracted
	February		STAC	CBF	Clubs			
	August	16-18	Sectional 750	NOTL	Com Centre	3008301		Submitted
	November	8-10	Sectional Open	NOTL	Com Centre	3011301		Submitted
2031	February	14-16	Sectional	St Catharines	Holiday Inn	3102301		Contracted
	February		STAC	CBF	Clubs			
	August	15-17	Sectional 750	NOTL	Com Centre	3108301		Submitted
	November	4-9	Regional	St Catharines	Holiday Inn	3111104		Contracted
2032	February	13-15	Sectional	St Catharines	Holiday Inn	3202301		Contracted
	February		STAC	CBF	Clubs			
	August	20-22	Sectional 750	NOTL	Com Centre	3208301		
	November	12-14	Sectional Open	NOTL	Com Centre	3211301		
2033	February	18-20	Sectional	St Catharines	Holiday Inn	3302301		Contracted
	February		STAC	CBF	Clubs			
	August	19-21	Sectional 750	NOTL	Com Centre	3308301		
	November	8-13	Regional	St Catharines	Holiday Inn	Submitted		Contracted
2034	February	17-19	Sectional	St Catharines	Holiday Inn	3402301		Contracted
	February		STAC	CBF	Clubs			
	August	18-20	Sectional 750	NOTL	Com Centre	3408301		
	November	10-12	Sectional Open	NOTL	Com Centre	3411301		
2035	February	16-18	Sectional	St Catharines	Holiday Inn	3502301		Contracted
	February		STAC	CBF	Clubs			
	August	17-19	Sectional 750	NOTL	Com Centre	3508301		
	November	6-11	Regional	St Catharines	Holiday Inn	Submitted		Contracted