Task Force on AC Relationships

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Purpose of Task Force

- Strengthen relationship between Advisory Council and Board of Directors
- Strengthen relationship between Advisory Council and Districts, Units, and Members

Purpose of Advisory Council

- Set forth in Article IX of ACBL Bylaws
- Act as a forum for the expression of opinion by the membership
- Identify the needs and concerns of the membership
- Act as a liaison between members and both the Board of Directors and ACBL management to ensure the needs and concerns of the membership are addressed
- Improve communication and coordination among Districts and Units.

Committee Recommendations

- AC committees should vet their potential motions with applicable Board of Director committees or members or ACBL staff for comment before having them voted on at AC meetings.
- One AC member in each District should try to be on the agenda at District meetings to make a report. In
 Districts in which AC members are not necessarily members of the District Board, one AC member should
 write a communication to the Board reporting on AC matters, for presentation to the members of the
 district board.
- In Districts which still have newsletters, an AC member from the District should write a column for the newsletter.
- AC Chair should write an Article for the ACBL Bulletin which encourages newer ACBL members to become involved by running or AC positions (this is in process).
- Chairs of AC Committees should consider inviting chairs of corresponding Board of Directors Committee
 Chairs or members of corresponding committees, or ACBL staff, to some of their meetings although there
 may certainly be times when AC Committee will wish to meet privately.