

Rather than repeating each motion regarding elections to fill various positions, I will simply summarize the results. All elections were unanimous, except as indicated. All elections are for terms beginning in 2026.

ACBL President: Cindy Shoemaker
ACBL Vice President: Dennis Carman defeated Jeff Overby
ACBL Treasurer: Joann Glasson defeated Tim White
ACBL 401(k) Trustee: Rebecca Brown
NABF Representative: Tim White
Executive Committee: Zayac as the Member, White alternate for Western Zonal representative
NABF Representative to the WBF Executive Council: Margot Hennings

Appointments:

Honorary Member of the Year: James Holzhauer
Volunteer Member of the Year: Susan Bridges
Goodwill member of the Year: Noel Stewart

BR-01 ONLINE GAMES AT FACE-TO-FACE REGIONALS

Moved that the following section of the Codification be deleted:

Chapter IX - Regionals

C. Events

Section 6 – Online Events

6.1 A District may run on-line events at their Regional bridge tournament. Only members of the host District may participate in the online events. Approval for the event shall be governed by the ability of the District to meet all provisions contained in the Pair Events – General Conditions of Contest for on-line events.

ACBL management will discuss the application for the online event with the DIC of the tournament. Approval will be conditioned upon the DIC's ability to provide adequate staffing to run the event.

Masterpoints will be awarded pursuant to the General Formula.

Tournament Organizers are responsible for all ACBL sanction fees, TD session fees, and online host fees that result from this event

Effective Date: Immediately upon Board approval.

Estimated Cost/Savings: N/A

Discussion:

During the Full Board meeting, further discussion was held to allow flexibility, support staff recommendation, and improve customer service.

COMMENT OF AC CHAIR: Please note that although this motion passed with exactly the same language as the AC reviewed on November 9, 2025, the purpose of the motion was changed to removing restrictions on management to allow flexibility. Management will be providing guidelines to Districts which may still which to run these games which will lay out the costs of using various online platforms. This will allow Districts to make more informed decisions about whether to run these events.

COMMENT OF AC CHAIR: The motion to change guidelines for sectionals as we reviewed it on November 9, 2025 was changed to a discussion item. The comments made at the Advisory Council meeting, subsequent emails which I received and passed on from AC Members, and other comments were all considered by the Board of Directors. As part of a large strategic plan, there will be a continuing task force on tournaments in general during 2026. Any motions will come later on.