

Toronto 2011 Report Attachment

Draft Board Meeting Minutes of Detailed Changes to:
The Code of Disciplinary Regulations
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Item 112-03: Code of Disciplinary Regulations Section 5.2.1

Section 5.2.1 of the ACBL Code of Disciplinary Regulations (CDR) is proposed to be amended by the following:

- 5.2.1 A complaint requesting a disciplinary hearing must be made in writing to the appropriate entity having jurisdiction, i.e. Unit, District, or ACBL (see CDR 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3) within the period of limitations described in CDR 5.2.1. (a), (b), (c) and (d) below. Note: A complaint is the only basis for an official charge to a disciplinary body. The disciplinary body receives and acts on a charge or charges, not a complaint or complaints. (See CDR 5.2.2) There are two methods to file a disciplinary complaint based upon a single incident: One, a "Direct Complaint" may be submitted directly to the charging body having jurisdiction by any ACBL member within the time period specified in section 5.2.1(a), (c), or (d); Two, a "Recorder Complaint" may be submitted directly to the charging body having jurisdiction by any ACBL Recorder within the time period specified in section 5.2.1(b).
- (a) A Direct Complaint involving a single incident of conduct must be brought within thirty (30) days of discovery of the incident. Irrespective of the foregoing period of limitations, the subject of a complaint is permitted to file a cross-complaint related to the original incident against the complainant within fifteen (15) days of written notification that there has been a charge filed against him or her.
 - (b) A Recorder may file a Recorder Complaint involving a single incident of conduct within thirty (30) days of receipt by the Recorder of a player memo, if and only if such player memo is submitted to the Recorder within (30) days of the incident.
 - (c) A complaint involving a pattern of conduct must be brought within five (5) years of the earliest instance referenced in the complaint.
 - (d) A complaint involving the conveying of information by unauthorized means, whether within a partnership or not (see Law 73.B.2), is not subject to a statute of limitations.

Carried unanimously.

Item 112-04: CDR Attorneys

The Code of Disciplinary Regulations (CDR) and the accompanying procedures are proposed to be modified as follows:

- 5.1.11 Representation on behalf of ACBL Disciplinary Bodies of Original and Appellate Jurisdiction may be provided at cost to the disciplinary body, as follows with the only requirement being that the representative at the hearing shall not be an attorney or a member of the ACBL Board of Directors except as provided in section V. A. of the CDR:
- a. In matters before TDCs, the DIC may appoint a representative to be an advocate of the complainant or may appoint a representative to be a neutral presenter of facts.
 - b. In matters before Unit or District Disciplinary Committees, the Unit or District President may appoint a representative to be an advocate of the complainant or may appoint a representative to be a neutral presenter of facts.
 - c. In matters before the Ethical Oversight Committee, ACBL Management may appoint a representative to be an advocate of the complainant or may appoint a representative to be a neutral presenter of facts.
 - d. In matters before District Appeals, the District President may appoint a representative to be an advocate of the complainant or may appoint a representative to be a neutral presenter of the matters on appeal.
 - e. In matters before Appeals and Charges Committee, ACBL Management may appoint a representative to be an advocate of the complainant or may appoint a representative to be a neutral presenter of facts.
- 5.2.3 A person charged with a violation of CDR 3 shall be entitled to:
- a. Receive written notice of the date, time, and place of hearing. Should a person admit to a charge, a hearing shall be held in order to determine and impose appropriate discipline.
 - b. Be furnished with a written statement of the charge(s), the complaint upon which the charges are based or a summary of the facts of said complaint, and the name of the complainant(s).
 - c. Be represented at the hearing by another person who not be an attorney or a member of the ACBL Board of Directors except as provided in section V. A. of the CDR: The person charged may be represented by an attorney outside the hearing room.
 - d. Produce evidence and make statements on his/her own behalf.
 - e. Be present during the entire hearing, except during procedural determinations and deliberation on verdicts and sentencing.
 - f. Question persons testifying
- 5.3.6 A person charged with a violation under CDR 3 shall be entitled to (See CDR 6.1 and 6.2 following):
- a. Receive written notice of date, time and place of hearing. Should a person admit to a charge, a hearing shall be held in order to determine and impose discipline.
 - b. Be provided a written statement of the charge(s), the complaint upon which the charges are based or a summary of the facts of said complaint, and the name of the complainant(s).
 - c. Be represented at the hearing by another person who shall not be an attorney or a member of the ACBL Board of Directors except as provided in section V. A. of the CDR: The person charged may be Represented by an attorney outside the hearing room.

- d. Produce evidence and make statements on his or her behalf.
- e. Be present during the entire hearing, except during procedural determinations and deliberation on verdicts and sentencing.
- f. Question persons testifying through the Chair, and at the Chair's discretion.

7.7 Each party to an appeal or review under this CDR 7 shall be entitled to:

- 7.7.1 Receive written notice of date, time and place of the appeals hearing.
- 7.7.2 Be represented at the hearing by another person who shall not be an attorney or a member of the ACBL Board of Directors except as provided in section V. A. of the CDR: The person charged may be represented by an attorney outside the hearing room.
- 7.7.3 Make statements on his or her behalf.
- 7.7.4. Be present during the entire hearing, except during procedural determinations and deliberation on verdicts and sentencing.
- 7.7.5 Question persons testifying through the Chair, at the Chair's discretion.

I.D Presenter

A presenter is an individual who makes or assists with an impartial presentation of evidence to a disciplinary committee upon the appointment by the committee chair. A presenter may be the recorder, tournament director or other party. The presenter may act as an aide to the disciplinary committee to ensure a fair and complete presentation of the evidence for the committee to consider. It is suggested that consideration be given to selection of a presenter when a case is complex and neither party is represented by counsel. The presenter selected to appear at the hearing shall not be a member of the ACBL Board of Directors.

V.A Presence at Hearing

The complainants and the people charged and/or their counsel (who may not be attorneys or members of the ACBL Board of Directors) are entitled to be present while all evidence is given, provided that attorneys may be present and represent the parties at hearings before the Appeals & Charges committee of the Board of Directors. Other individuals may remain at the hearing only at the discretion of the chairperson. At all times the represented party shall be responsible for the fees and costs of his or her representation. No portion of that cost shall be borne by the opposing party.

Motion failed. Aye: 1, 3, 4, 6, 9, 12, 13, 16, 18, 21, 23, 25.

Item 112-91: President Expenses

President expenses are proposed to be amended as follows:

Section 1 - ACBL President Expenses

The image of the ACBL is paramount in all of the activities of the president. In keeping with such premise, the following statement of policy sets forth the duties, responsibilities and restrictions by which the president will be guided.

- 1.1 The president will be granted a president's expense allowance which for the year 2011 will be \$56,423 and each year thereafter said fund will be adjusted by the Consumer Price Index fluctuation.

- 1.2 In addition to the usual administrative functions which the president of most organizations performs, there are additional special responsibilities attached to the office of ACBL President. These include, but are not limited to:
- 1.2.1 Attending regional and sectional tournaments of his choosing to bring the ACBL to its members. In addition, at those tournaments the president is expected to host local volunteers in his suite or at a meal function.
- 1.2.2 Hosting certain social functions at NABCs involving the members of the Board of Directors and special groups in his suite, holding special committee meetings in his suite and one president's dinner (optional) at the NABC of his choice. At the other two NABCs, the president will host a welcoming buffet/reception for Board members and special guests in his suite.
- 1.3 The president may be accompanied by a person assisting the president in performing his duties. The expenses of such person(s) will be charged to the president's budget.
- 1.4 The president is expected to travel the most economical way to any tournaments, meetings or for other ACBL business. Airfare, using advance non-refundable ticketing, will reflect the lowest direct service fare available for travel at reasonable times for the travel dates whenever possible. The president will be reimbursed for travel to only one bridge event outside Zone 2 per year.
- 1.5 Travel and other expenses related to a specific activity (especially special committee meetings) will be charged to Board expenses not to the president's expenses.
- 1.6 In addition to serving as ACBL President, the president also continues to serve as his district's representative on the Board of Directors and, therefore, will receive the trimester expense reimbursement identical to that provided all other Board members.
- 1.7 For accounting purposes, the president's travel expenses and expenses for the president's suite for the number of days the president is at the NABC through the first Sunday will be charged to Board expenses. Expenses for the remaining days the president is at the NABC will be charged to president's expenses.

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 112-56: Regional Tournament Scheduling and Sanctioning

Item 102-141, Regional Tournament Scheduling and Sanctioning, is amended as follows:

1. Section B. Regional Tournament Allocations, paragraph 9, add:

A regional tournament may start on any day of the week and (with the exceptions of Regionals at Sea) must be scheduled on consecutive days until its conclusion; provided that a tournament that starts on Sunday must end no later than the following Friday. In addition, a one-session event that is run for the ACBL Charity Foundation, the ACBL Educational Foundation, the ACBL Junior Fund, the International Fund, or the Canadian

equivalent of these may be held the first day of a six and one-half day Regional. The current formulas will be used to determine the minimum monetary contributions for these games.

2. Section C. Scheduling of Regional Tournaments, paragraph 2,
 - A. The dates are protected except for one day at either the beginning or end of the tournament. A tournament with a two or more day encroachment on a traditional date tournament will not be sanctioned.
 - B. A District that holds a Regional on the same dates and at the same sites/areas two out of three years will be placed on the traditional date list for Regionals. The dates are protected except for one day at either the beginning or end of the tournament. A tournament with a two or more day encroachment on a traditional date tournament will not be sanctioned. The list is available on the Coordinators Bulletin Board. Easter week is noted as an exception.

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 112-57: Sectional Tournament Scheduling and Allocations

Item 102-140, Sectional Tournament Scheduling and Allocations, be amended as follows:

The following two paragraphs are added to Section B. Scheduling of Sectional Tournaments.

7. A Sectional held more than 50 miles from a Regional held in another District is not considered in conflict with that Regional.
8. Sectionals that traditionally hold tournaments on or near specific holidays will, in the case of conflicts, be scheduled prior to the holiday when the holiday falls on a Monday or Tuesday and after the holiday when the holiday falls on a Wednesday or Thursday.

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 112-58: Special Game at Sectionals

Item 032-66 is proposed to be amended as follows:

Special Game at Sectionals (032-66)

A. All Units (i.e. Sectional Sponsors), are permitted to run up to two (2) Special game sessions at each Sectional with the exception of STaCs. In the USA, these special games may be to benefit the ACBL Charity Foundation, the ACBL Educational Foundation, the ACBL International Fund or the ACBL Junior Fund. In other countries, they may benefit the NBO equivalent, if it exists, or the ACBL fund/foundation if it does not. The choice of beneficiary shall be made by the tournament sponsor.

B. Such a special game may be run as an open game, senior game, team or pair game, newcomer game, or any other game that is run at a Sectional.

C. The masterpoint awards will be regionally rated silver points.

D. The Sponsor of the sectional will be charged USD \$1.00 per player. In Canada the charge will be CAN \$1.00 per player. In other countries, the sponsor will be charged USD \$1.00 per player. These funds shall be included in the tournament report and shall be dispersed to the appropriate organization chosen by the tournament sponsor.

E. The normal sanction fee for Sectionals will also be charged to the Sponsoring Organization.

F. All previous motions governing International Fund Games held at Sectionals are rescinded.

Effective January 1, 2012

Carried unanimously.

Item 112-40: Women's KO

A 2-day Swiss Qualifying or RR be added to the format for the Women's KO . . . to be held the first two days of the event and to award event seeding points which would impact placement in the KO phase.

Referred to the Competitions and Conventions Committee and Deferred to the Fall 2011 NABC meeting in Seattle, WA.

Carried unanimously.

Item 112-41: Seeding for NABC+ Knockout Events

Seeding for the Vanderbilt and Spingold events will be based, for each player, on the greater of the two seeding point totals (capped at 50) calculated by the following two methods:

- Method 1: The current method (current appendix B) (based on performance in previous events and masterpoint holding, as amended by 111-36).
- Method 2: WBF Masterpoint total divided by 100 **plus** WBF placing point total multiplied by 1.75.

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 112-42: Small Children or Pets in Playing Area

Item (942-81) Small Children or Pets in Playing Area is amended as follows:

Non-participating children under the age of six and pets are not allowed to remain in the playing area of NABC tournaments during play and for 15 minutes before and after play, subject to the following exceptions and restrictions.

1. The tournament DIC shall grant an exception to a player (a “player/owner”) with disabilities who brings a working service dog (“WSD”) to the playing area if the player/owner provides credible evidence to the DIC that his or her WSD performs tasks. The only questions which the DIC may ask are: “Is that a service dog?” and “What tasks does the service dog do?” The DIC may *not* ask questions regarding the player/owner’s disability or request certification or proof of the WSD’s training.
2. The tournament DIC shall grant an exception to a player/owner who brings an emotional support animal (“ESA”) to the playing area if the player/owner submits to the DIC a formal letter of prescription from a licensed mental health professional (psychiatrist, psychologist, therapist, counselor or social worker) which indicates the necessity of use of an ESA by the player/owner. The DIC may *not* ask questions regarding the player/owner’s emotional status or request certification or proof of the ESA’s training.
3. The WSD or ESA must remain on a leash in a sitting or lying position within three feet of the player/owner or in a kennel within three feet of the player/owner during the game.
4. The WSD or ESA must wear identification indicating that the dog is a service dog or support animal.
5. The DIC may exclude a WSD or an ESA from the playing area when the behavior of such dog or animal, in the judgment of the DIC, poses a direct threat to the health or safety of persons in the playing area.

6. The player/owner must clean up (or assure that clean up is performed) after his or her WSD or ESA. Failure to comply with this requirement shall be documented by the DIC, and may result in disciplinary action under the Code of Disciplinary Regulations.

Effective November 1, 2011

Carried unanimously.

Item 112-43: Subjective Seeding in the Spingold

The Subjective Seeding method be approved on a trial basis for the 2011 Spingold Knockout Teams at the Summer NABC in Toronto. The subjective seeding method to be used is as follows:

SUBJECTIVE SEEDING IN THE SPINGOLD

For the 2011 Spingold, the event will be seeded objectively (according to the “New Seeding Rules”), and then (experimentally) re-seeded subjectively by a “Subjective Seeding Committee*”

The process is summarized below:

After the Director-in-Charge determines a team’s average Seeding Points (SPs) in accordance with the “New Seeding Rules,” and before shuffling in groups, the Subjective Seeding Committee will review the team’s placement in the bracket. The Committee may ask the opinions of other players, especially when evaluating unfamiliar foreign entrants and Canadian players.

The Committee cannot change the seeding group of teams seeded in the top 16. Teams 17-20 may be moved down one “shuffling group.” Teams 21 and up can be moved up or down one “shuffling group,” but teams in the bottom shuffling group can only be moved up one group. The shuffling groups are 17-20, 21-24, 25-28, 29-32, then in groups of 8 through team 64, then in groups of 16. For example, a team in the 29-32 group could become seeded 33-40, or become seeded 25-28. For every team changed, another team must be moved reciprocally to replace it.

Any seeding change would be made before shuffling, and require a majority* vote of the committee. (Three members constitute a majority.)

*The Subjective Seeding Committee members are: David Berkowitz, Barry Rigal, Eric Kokish, Howie Weinstein, and one other player selected by them.

Carried.

Item 112-46: Modification of General Conditions of Contest for Knock Out Teams

The following modifications are proposed to be made to the Conditions of Contest for KO Teams

CORRECTION AND APPEAL PERIODS

The score correction period for player and scorer errors expires thirty minutes after the completion of the segment, at the start of play at either table of a playoff, or at the announced starting time of the next match, whichever is earlier. Despite the foregoing, the DIC is empowered to, when practical, make a score correction before the announced starting time of the next match in the interest of fairness/equity.

Effective January 1, 2012

Carried unanimously.

Item 112-47: Modification of General Conditions of Contest for Swiss Teams

PLAYER ERRORS:

No increase in score need be granted unless the Director's attention is called to the error prior to the announced starting time of the next match or thirty minutes after the completion of the match whichever is earlier.

Effective January 1, 2012

Carried unanimously,

Item 112-52: GNT District Finals Internet

Districts may elect to hold GNT finals at multiple sites with competition via the Internet. The following will be required as part of the District Conditions of Contest:

Appendix II

Conditions of Contest For District GNT Finals Hosted Online

General Conditions

- 1) This event will be conducted at a variety of playing sites, and hosted online by an ACBL approved host. (See Appendix III)
- 2) Regarding any of the below, the decision of the Director in Charge (DiC) will be final. The DiC is empowered to remedy any omissions in these Conditions of Contest.

- 3) Unless specifically noted below, the Laws of Duplicate Bridge, the ACBL Convention Charts, the ACBL Alert Chart, the Conditions of Contest for the 2011/2012 GNT, General Conditions of Contest for team play and ACBL Zero Tolerance Policy shall govern this event.
- 4) The DiC must be an ACBL Director, hold the rank of Tournament Director or higher, and shall have the authority to assign his own staff.
- 5) The Tournament Organizer will provide a format for the event which includes contingencies for any number of teams in each flight.
- 6) If feasible and except in #10, below: Contestants in each flight will play the same deals as others within their flight, and no two flights shall play the same deals.
- 7) Each Contestant shall have access to these conditions of contest, and the event's format (#5 above). Failure to have reviewed these conditions, or lack of proficiency with computers or the software used by the online host does not excuse any irregularity, or violation of these conditions.
- 8) Each Team must pre-register by three weeks prior to the announced date of the contest. Late entrants may be accepted for the convenience of the movement and only at the discretion of the DiC. At the time of pre-registration, Teams are required to submit funds for participation and the following information for each team member:
 - a) Name
 - b) ACBL Number
 - c) User ID for online host
 - d) Site of participation
 - e) Any special needs addressed by these Conditions of Contest.
- 9) In the event a Contestant is handicapped, where he is unable to use a computer, and in all cases where a Contestant does not have the requisite computer skills, said Contestants may bring an Operator to relay calls, plays and explanations thereof. Communication between the Contestant and his Operator is to be conducted in writing. Any notes from a Contestant/Operator interaction may be used to settle disputes. The Operator must be named in preregistration, and is subject to the approval of the DiC.
- 10) Should a technical difficulty arise, which delays play for one or more matches, play in all unaffected matches shall continue, and 15 minutes will be allotted to resolve the issue before play is suspended. If play is suspended for one or more matches, and in the DiC's opinion, the rest of the contest is unaffected (as in the final match of a Swiss), the affected matches will continue at a later time with different hands than those played during the main competition.

Security

- 1) Each Contestant must preregister to participate at a particular site, and no Contestant may participate from a physical location other than a site designated by the Tournament Organizer, and approved by the DiC. The DiC shall be informed, no later than 2 Days after the close of registration, of each designated site.

- 2) The Tournament Organizer will designate at least one Monitor for each playing site. The DiC shall be informed, no later than 2 Days after the close of registration, of the proposed Monitor for each site, and their contact information. The proposed Monitor is subject to approval by the DiC.
- 3) Monitors shall ensure the enforcement of these conditions of contest, and will be primarily responsible for the enforcement of any security related issues at their designated location.
- 4) Monitors need not be Directors, and may not rule on any irregularity occurring during play, nor penalize a Contestant for any violation of these conditions. Monitors must immediately inform the DiC of any irregularity or violation of which they become aware in any manner.
- 5) Contestants are not permitted to be in possession of any electronic communication devices while they are competing. VIOLATION OF THIS CONDITION WILL RESULT IN A MANDATORY PENALTY OF 12 IMPS, AND A SECOND VIOLATION WILL RESULT IN THE TEAM'S DISQUALIFICATION.
- 6) Chatter at each physical location shall be kept to a minimum. No discussion of hands is permitted at any given location until all bridge play at that location has concluded.
- 7) Contestants must connect to the internet through a designated on site router.
- 8) Contestants may only run the following applications during the play period:
 - a. Online Host Software or
 - b. An internet browser for the purpose of accessing the Online Host and/or (in the Championship and A Flights only) for the purpose of accessing the ACBL's defense database.
- 9) Monitors shall ensure that Contestants cannot view the Computer Screens of other Contestants with in their own flight.
- 10) Monitors shall ensure that Contestants, competing at the same site as members of their own team, are seated in positions which obscure their view of one another.
- 11) Contestants must not relay, through chat visible to partner, any extraneous information.

The Play

- 1) Contestants are required to post a complete convention card, in ACBL format, inclusive of any supplemental notes.
- 2) The ACBL Mid-Chart applies to Flight 'A' and the Championship Flight. Pairs playing methods requiring a written defense must pre-alert their opponents, and post a written description of the method(s) along with their convention card. Contestants opposing a pair playing such methods are permitted to access the ACBL's defense database and keep said defenses open in their internet browser.
<http://www.acbl.org/play/defenseDataBase.html>
- 3) The ACBL General Convention Chart applies to Flights B & C.

- 4) The Director must be summoned electronically for any irregularity which occurs during play. Once the Director has been summoned, all play and bidding shall cease until the Director authorizes its continuation.
- 5) Contestants are required to alert and explain their own calls (not their partner's). When one makes an alertable call, the bidder must give a full explanation of the agreement to his opponents (and only his opponents). Stating the common or popular name of the convention is not sufficient.
- 6) Any Contestant may request, but only at his turn to call or play, information concerning an opponent's methods. Such inquiries may be asked of either or both opponents, but must be asked in a private chat. Replies to these inquiries must be given in a private chat.
- 7) Violations of conditions, which make available to one's partner extraneous information by a remark, a question, a reply to a question, an unexpected alert, failure to alert, special emphasis, tone, gesture, movement or mannerism (Security 9-11 & The Play 5 & 6), shall be rectified under the Laws of Duplicate Bridge, and are subject to procedural penalties. The Monitors and Contestants must report any such violations to the DiC.
- 8) Any deviation in tempo does convey extraneous information, and is subject to rectification under the Laws of Duplicate Bridge. Any Contestant experiencing technical difficulties which may be construed as conveying extraneous information should immediately inform the Monitor or Director.
- 9) Claims, concessions, agreement thereto and contention or cancellation thereof will be rectified under the Laws of Duplicate Bridge.
- 10) Unintended calls or plays will be rectified under the Laws of Duplicate Bridge. If a Contestant makes an unintended call or play he should summon the Director immediately. As in live play, undoes are permitted only upon instruction of the Director.

Appendix III
Requirements for ACBL approved Online Host

- 1) Online hosts must be accessible to all of the events participants.
- 2) The host must have the ability to run four separate flights.
- 3) The host must have the capability to run distinct sets of deals for each match, as well as distinct sets of deals for each flight.
- 4) The host must ensure the conditions of each deal are consistent with the Laws of Duplicate Bridge (Laws 1, 2, 4-6)
- 5) The host shall ensure that each participant may chat with either or both of his opponents, and with all of the contestants at his table, but not privately with partner.
- 6) All deals, auctions, play and chat shall be recorded and available for review, in real time, by the director.

- 7) If feasible, the auction should appear for each contestant three bids at a time.
- 8) The host must have the capability of running a Swiss, Knockout and/or Round Robin movement. Specific movements are listed below.
 - a. Three table Round Robin in 2 rounds with distinct sets of deals for each match.
 - b. Four Table Round Robin: Three rounds with identical deals for both matches of each round.
 - c. Five table BAM movement. Four rounds with comparison after round four.
 - d. Five table Swiss Round Robin: Four rounds with comparisons after rounds two and four
 - e. Five table Round Robin: Five rounds with a sit out and identical deals for both matches of each round. Comparisons after each round.
 - f. Six table Round Robin: Five Rounds with identical deals for all three matches of each round. Comparisons after each round.
 - g. Seven table BAM: Six rounds with comparison after round six.
 - h. Seven table Swiss Round Robin: Six rounds with comparisons after rounds two, four and six.
 - i. Seven Table Swiss Round Robin: Seven Rounds with a sit out and identical deals for all three matches of each round. Comparisons after each match.
 - j. Eight table Round Robin: Seven rounds with identical deals for all four matches of each round. Comparisons after each match.
 - k. Nine table BAM: Eight rounds with comparison after round eight.
 - l. Nine table Swiss Round Robin: Eight rounds with comparisons after rounds two, four, six, and eight.
 - m. Nine table Swiss Round Robin: Nine rounds with a sit out and identical deals for all four matches of each round. Comparisons after each match.
 - n. Ten table Round Robin: Nine rounds with identical deals for all five matches of each round. Comparisons after each match.
 - o. Any odd number table Swiss Team movement with 11 or more teams, consisting of a three table round robin and 4 or more head to head matches. Pairing to be based upon the aggregate VP results of each team.
 - p. Any even number table Swiss Team movement with 12 or more teams. Pairing to be based upon the aggregate VP results of each team.
 - q. Any KO movement from 9-16 teams, to be completed in four rounds, with no sit outs.
 - r. Any KO movement from 6-8 teams, to be completed in 3 rounds, with no sit outs.
 - s. KO Movement with 2 or four teams.

Effective immediately.

Carried unanimously.

Item 112-53: GNT Special C of C

The Conditions of Contest for 2011- 2012 are approved. (See ACBL.org) *Effective immediately.*
Carried unanimously.