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ACBL Board of Directors

The ACBL Board of Directors is composed of 25 representatives from 25 different geographic areas in the United States and Canada. When you have twenty-five people trying to come to a meeting of the minds, it is an incredibly difficult process. In order to increase the efficiency of the ACBL board, it is important to reduce the number of voting members.

In Las Vegas, the Board of Governors passed a motion requesting that a Task Force be formed to reduce the size of the existing ACBL board to a more workable number.

The ACBL President, Russ Jones, has asked David Lodge from District 22 (Southern California) to chair the Task Force. I feel this is an important move to make the board more efficient, even if it means personally going off the board, and I will be working on the Task Force with Jay Whipple from District 9 (Florida), Margot Hennings from District 6 (Washington DC) and A.J. Stephani from District 11 (Ohio).

Reduction in the size of the ACBL board has been attempted before with little success, so we are facing a difficult challenge, but this group is optimistic that we will bring an acceptable plan to the ACBL Board for their approval at our next meeting in San Francisco.

The goal of the task force is to find a solution that will be acceptable to enough of the twenty-five existing board members to begin the board reduction process. The task force has had several online meetings and is planning a face-to-face meeting before the completion of the plan.

I will keep you posted on the progress of the Task Force.

Please let me know if you have any questions or comments.

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District 4's own bestselling author and actress, Susan Morse, has published an article in the September issue of the ACBL bulletin.

The article has received front page status - make sure to read it and let the ACBL Bulletin editor know how much you enjoyed it so we can be treated to more of Susan's wonderful stories.