



**ACBL BOD Update**  
**District 11 Board Meeting**  
**March 1, 2025**

**Larry Sealy**  
**[Region7Director@ACBL.org](mailto:Region7Director@ACBL.org)**



# Agenda

---



- **Update from Fall NABC (Las Vegas)**
- **Post-Vegas Activities**
- **EDGAR Status/Results**



# Key Actions from Fall NABC (1 of 3)

---



- **Finance: YTD (thru Sep 30) Gain of Assets of ~\$1M**
  - Much better than budgeted loss of \$400K
  - We passed budget for 2025
    - Projected revenues: \$18.5M
    - Projected expenses: \$18.2M
    - Projected gain: \$300K
- **Membership:**
  - 128,622 paid ACBL members, as of Nov 1 – decrease of 1984 year-over-year
  - Of the 4386 players who became guest members, 1181 have converted to full memberships. 1578 remain active guest members.
  - Membership retention efforts are yielding excellent results, but new member additions not keeping up with losses



# Key Actions from Fall NABC (2 of 3)

---

- **Management is moving (almost) all pigmented games to ACBL Clubhouse as of 2025**
  - I fought a losing battle against this, but did not have much support
  - \$1.25 of each player entry for Clubhouse games will be returned to their home club
  - NAP Qualifying games will continue to provide half red points. I was promised that the multiplier for these games would be reinstated.
- **NABC Task Force**
  - This TF operated for ~10 months and reported out in Las Vegas.
  - We looked at what we need to do to maximize player experience and attendance.
  - We will be returning to well attended sites more frequently. We also will strive to provide geographic balance.
  - Also looking at new formats and schedules (e.g., Fall NABC over a single weekend – not Thanksgiving)
- **Online Provider Task Force**
  - BBO contract ends 6/30/25.
  - Negotiating with a number of providers. We will not have a contract exclusive to just one.



# Key Actions from Fall NABC (3 of 3)

---



- **Management wanted to repeal “Goppert Rule,” where Masterpoint® awards for one-day team events are prorated based on percent of matches played.**
  - This was primarily aimed at pro teams, where the client plays only half-time.
  - I saw no need to make this change, so voted against it. It failed 5-8.
- **We received a briefing on a potential new Bracketed Pairs event for Regionals**
  - Constructed similarly to Bracketed Teams
  - Idea is to have a number of different brackets of ~9 tables. Bracketed based on MP totals. Pairs allowed to “play up.”
  - Vision is not to replace Stratified Open Pairs – just to run 1 or 2 days per Regional
  - Was run as an experiment at 2 D25 Regionals in 2024. Feedback was very positive.
  - Management given action to coordinate with requisite committees and personnel to figure out how/how soon it might be implemented.



# Post-Fall NABC Activities

---



- **Approved use of Bracketed Pairs starting this year**
  - **Will require experienced, approved DIC (must be approved on case-by-case basis) as is not simple to implement**
- **Goodwill reception for 2025 will now be in Memphis. It is now an annual event, to be held at the Summer NABC, but there was not sufficient space to hold it there this year.**
- **Online provider contracts are being negotiated and should be signed soon.**
- **We are about to finalize Summer 2028 and Summer 2029 NABC sites**



# CBCD Statistics as of 11/19/24



REQUEST					EXAMINATION			CHARGE				RESOLUTION						YELLOW					
Date Requested	Date Returned	Players Requested*	Reds from players Requested	% of Reds from Players Requested	Players Examined*	Reds from Players Examined	% of Reds from Total Players Examined	Reds Charged (excluding Stripes)	Red Stripes Charged	Y or G partners of a Red Stripe Charged	Reds Charged w Multiple Partners	EDP	FTD	IBA	NR	RTAD	Warning	Pending	Yellows from Players Examined	Yellows w Red Partner	Y/G Stripes		
1/31/24	2/14/24	190	1	0.53%	834	2	0.24%	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
2/1/24	2/14/24	168	0	0.00%	558	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	
2/9/24	2/16/24	205	4	1.95%	488	4	0.82%	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	
2/14/24	2/26/24	894	18	2.01%	3137	36	1.15%	25	0	0	7	0	4	3	12	4	2	0	28	0	6	6	
2/22/24	3/9/24	981	20	2.04%	3171	56	1.77%	53	0	0	16	1	27	1	7	0	12	2	60	7	0	0	
3/7/24	3/8/24	11	0	0.00%	32	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4/8/24	5/2/24	1196	50	4.18%	4065	83	2.04%	73	1	1	4	3	42	2	7	0	14	7	36	3	12	12	
5/21/24	5/21/24	8	8	100.00%	17	8	47.06%	8	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	
6/13/24	6/20/24	1559	36	2.31%	4649	54	1.16%	51	1	0	5	1	27	2	5	3	10	4	48	4	0	0	
7/26/24	8/7/24	2013	59	2.93%	6273	100	1.59%	86	3	2	7	2	43	2	11	4	19	10	55	9	6	6	
9/16/24	10/10/24	6	0	0.00%	15	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL		7231	196	2.71%	23239	343		300	5	3	39	9	144	12	45	11	57	27	237	23	24	24	

**Notes:**

- Date Requested: 2/9/2024 - Players requested on 2/9/24 run were previously disciplined for an Ethical Violation. The date range for each player varies based on the date of their previous violation. Player requested on 5/21/2024 were the rerun of player from 2/14/24 who were not charged pending further investigation.
- Players Examined: Excludes partners of players with no ACBL # associated w the online handle. Includes Reds identified as Stripe.
- Reds Charged: The following reasons are why a player may not be charged: deceased, previously charged on prior examination, player RTAD prior to examination, or the matter is pending further investigation.
- Y or G partners of a Red Stripe Charged: Player listed are also included in " Yellows from Player Examined" and in " Y/G Stripes".
- EDP: The EDP on 2/9/ resulted in expulsion of both players.
- Yellows w Red Partner: Includes Yellow with a Red Stripe.

[Does not include 11/07 Run](#)



# CBCD Bottom Line (as of 11/19/24)

---



- Only ~2000 Players have been processed between July and October
  - Most were submitted before Toronto
  - We had a long hiatus during coordination of CDR changes
- New, large batch (submitted early Nov) – processing almost complete
  - Included all Player Memos from 2020-on
  - Total of 14636 players submitted to EDGAR
  - Over 600 Reds
- Rate of Reds now over 2%
  - Rate for subjects of Player Memos is much higher
- 7 cases (involving 12 players) pending before IBA
- We have 300+ Yellows awaiting further investigation when time permits





# Backup



# FTD Changes – Nov 1 CDR

Qualification	May 8, 2024 Masterpoint Range	Nov. 1, 2024 Masterpoint Range	Discipline	Standard FTD w/out EC/FPP	EC/FPP Reduction	Multiple Partners (added to final discipline)
WARNING	0-300	0-500 NLM	Suspension	FTD L1 - Standard	Warning	N/A
			Probation	FTD L1 - Standard	Warning	N/A
			Masterpoints	FTD L1 - Standard	Warning	N/A
FTD L1	0-599	0-999	Suspension	6	3	Plus 3 months
			Probation	48	24	No change
			Masterpoints	20%	10%	No change
FTD L2	600-1499	1000-2499	Suspension	12	6	Plus 3 months
			Probation	48	24	No change
			Masterpoints	20%	10%	No change
FTD L3	1500-2499	2500-4999	Suspension	24	12	Plus 4 months
			Probation	48	24	No change
			Masterpoints	20%	10%	No change
FTD L4	N/A	5000-9999	Suspension	36	18	Plus 6 months
			Probation	48	24	No change
			Masterpoints	30%	15%	No change
FTD L5	N/A	10K+ NGLM	Suspension	48	24	Plus 6 months
			Probation	60	36	No change
			Masterpoints	40%	20%	No change
FTD L6	N/A	10K+ GLM	Suspension	60	36	Plus 12 months
			Probation	60	36	No change
			Masterpoints	50%	25%	No change

**EC/FPP = Ethics Certification and Fair Play Pledge**