

Board of Directors Mission Statement Unit 145, RI Bridge Association

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The Rhode Island Bridge Association exists under the sanction of the ACBL, and functions within the constitution, bylaws and regulations of the ACBL, District 25, and nonprofit laws of the state of Rhode Island.

The objectives of the Rhode Island Bridge Association as listed in the bylaws shall be:

- To preserve and promote the best interests of competitive duplicate bridge or any modifications thereof.
- To prescribe rules of eligibility for participation in tournaments under its auspices.
- To cooperate with and assist the ACBL in the promotion and conduct of contract bridge tournaments.
- To consider and pass upon reports of dishonest, unethical or improper conduct of participants in tournaments under its jurisdiction.
- To conduct, license or sanction duplicate bridge tournaments at which championship titles other than club titles shall be determined; to formulate, interpret and enforce rules for the conduct of such tournaments, under its auspices within the geographic limits of the State of Rhode Island.
- To act as governing authority over all duplicate bridge tournaments under its jurisdiction and to regulate and assign dates therefore to avoid conflicts insofar as possible.
- To conduct such other activities as may be in keeping with its principal objectives.

The Board of Directors shall:

- Consist of four officers and no more than 15 additional board members (Directors).
- Have a passion for bridge and a willingness to help the Unit grow the game in Rhode Island.
- Hold a minimum of four meetings a year.

- Make an annual charitable donation to a worthy local organization in need.
- When possible assist ACBL clubs within its jurisdiction.
- Manage Sectional Tournaments and Annual Gala that are held each year.
- Have commitments from all Directors to serve on Committees that will have specific duties. Such Committees will include but are not limited to: Tournament Management, Hospitality, Scheduling, Publicity, Storage, and Set Up.