Unit 390 Youth / Junior Travel Subsidy Policy

Effective January 1, 2018

1. General

As a part of the American Contract Bridge League (ACBL) located in Canada, Unit 390 wishes to encourage young members to participate in all levels of competitive bridge. The following Travel Subsidy is available to members of Unit 390 who satisfy the requirements as a youth player or a junior player. This policy is independent of the ACBL, District 18, other units in District 18 and the Canadian Bridge Federation (CBF).

A **youth player** is defined as a member in good standing of the ACBL who is 19 years of age or younger at the time of the event and is a full time student.

A **junior player** is defined as a member in good standing of the ACBL who is 20 to 25 years of age at the time of the event and is a full time student.

2. The Youth/Junior Travel Fund

- Unit 390 will set aside \$1,000 annually, to be used to fund youth and junior members.
- Any amount remaining at the end of the fiscal year will be returned to the general accounts.
- The maximum total amount awarded to any individual in a fiscal year (April 1 March 31) is \$350.
- Applications for subsidy will be reviewed on a case by case basis.
- Approved subsidies will generally be paid after the member has attended the eligible event.

3. How to Apply

Any eligible member may apply for subsidy in writing or by email to the Board of Directors. Applications must be received by the Unit within 12 months of completion of the event. The application must include the following:

- applicant's name, address and ACBL number
- applicant's birth date and a copy of their birth certificate, driver's license or passport
- evidence which verifies the applicant's student status e.g. copy of their student card
- description of the event for which they wish subsidy, with particulars on dates, cost, etc.

Some of the events that might qualify for funding are:

- Bridge Camps
- Canadian Junior Trials
- Youth NABC
- World Youth Open Bridge Championships
- World Youth Team Championships
- FISU World University Bridge Championships

4. Eligibility for Other Subsidies

This policy is independent of the Unit 390 Travel Subsidy Policy. A youth or junior player is fully eligible to receive travel subsidies as described in that policy.