

Calgary Duplicate Bridge Association
Board Meeting Minutes
November 20, 2008 6:00pm
Location: Bridge-Joy

Minutes of Meeting:

1. Marlene welcomed everyone to the board meeting
2. The board members present at the meeting were:
 - i. Marlene Lenstra
 - ii. Jan McLeod
 - iii. Abdul Fakih
 - iv. Steve Lawrence
 - v. Jim Berglund
 - vi. Jim Murphy
 - vii. Jean Ward
 - viii. Gretta Hinton
 - ix. Byron Lund
 - x. Tina Gokturk
3. Marlene presented the agenda for the meeting, and it was accepted by Jan and Jean.
4. The previous minutes were presented and approved unanimously with no corrections.
5. Marlene welcomed Byron Lund as the new member liason, Tina Gokturk as in charge of special events and Jim Murphy was selected as the new VP of the Bridge Board.

6. Actions from previous meeting:

A) New Members

- Jim Murphy reported that he has sent three new kits to the new members

B) Bridge Centre

- Jim Berglund updated the board on the progress of the Bridge Centre
- There have been lots of discussions with various interested parties
- Jim is positive and enthusiastic about the outcome – keep tuned!
- Some people are concerned with the air quality in an underground facility. The membership needs to be informed that the quality of the air would meet all the criteria and better.
- A team is working to modify the bylaws so that a casino fund could be collected and utilized for building of the Bridge Centre; Walter Brock to attend the next meeting to update the board.

C) Mentorship Program

- Abdul reported that the program is going well

- There are some mentees that have not contacted their mentors and they may not be able to complete six games before the end of the year. We may have to extend this program for another month (end of January).
- There is a possibility to get corporate sponsorship for two trophies for the mentor-mentorship program.
- One trophy for 0-100 MP and the second for 100-300 MP
- Abdul proposed that the board approve such a sponsorship; seconded by Jan
- Jim Berglund asked Abdul to ensure Al Simon is informed about this sponsorship; approved unanimously.

D) Volunteer BBQ

- Abdul proposed to have all the mentors be invited to the next volunteer BBQ.
- Seconded by Jim Murphy; approved unanimously
- Responsibility – Tina Gokturk

7. New Business:

A) Treasurer's Report

- Steve informed the board that there needs to be insurance for the trailer
- Abdul proposed to get the insurance in Steve's name and in case of an accident, board to pay the deductible.
- Seconded by Jean; approved unanimously

B) Report on Banff Sectional Tournament

- The question of having the Banff tournament in Banff was discussed again
- It was agreed that Steve will provide a summary of the cost benefits of Banff versus Calgary over the last 3-4 years so that the board can make a informed decision in the next meeting

C) 299 Games

- Jim Murphy is to talk to owners if they would have a permanent 299-game

D) Telephone Directory

- Board requested Jim Berglund to update the telephone directory by the end of the year

8. Next Meeting:

- The next meeting has been scheduled for December 17, 2008 at 5:00 pm at Marlene's house

9. Meeting Adjourned:

- Jim Berglund moved for the meeting to be adjourned; seconded by Steve.