

**Calgary Duplicate Bridge Association ACBL Unit 390**  
**Board Meeting**  
**Thursday April 24, 2012**  
**Marilyn Haggins 60 Edendale Way NW**

**Board Members Present:**

Don Basarsky  
Brian Willett  
Jim Murphy  
Marlene Lenstra  
Marilyn Haggins

Nancy Stewart  
Emelie Quennell  
Warren Richards  
Melissa Martin

**Minutes of the Meeting:**

**1. Approval of the Agenda**

Jim Murphy called the meeting to order at 7:19 pm. Don Basarsky moved to approve the agenda. Brian Willett seconded and it carried.

**2. Approval of the Minutes** – Warren Richards motioned to approve the minutes of the March 06, 2011 board meeting. Jim Murphy seconded. Motion passed.

**3. Director Reports**

a. Treasurer – Melissa Martin reported that the financial books are current and are in with the accountant for the yearly audit for presentation to the members at the AGM. We hold \$40,785.00 in term deposits and cash.

b. Tournaments – Nancy Stewart reported that the March tournament was very successful. The weather cooperated and the turnout was good. Janet Galbraith did a great job as a speaker. Bev Mason and/or Nancy Klym may speak at the next tournament. Nancy commented that there could have been better support in getting the flyers and information out in good time for the tournament, although the directors did a good job of promoting our tournament at other ones. Brian Willett, Marilyn Swadron and Nancy Stewart should meet and discuss. Revenue is down somewhat because expenses are increasing. Overall, it was generally agreed that the change in the lunch was disappointing.

c. Special Events – Warren reported that the GNT is going ahead. There was no practice session held. All participants must ensure that they can connect their computer at the Martinique BEFORE the day of the GNT to be held on May 11 - 12, 2012 at the Martinique bridge studio. The AGM planning is well underway, a reminder was sent out to members today. There have been 35 responses so far so we should have a quorum. Food will be ordered by April 30, 2012. There was a complaint that the AGM starts early

and is not easy for working people to attend. We will try to accommodate any people affected.

Okotoks sanction. There seems to be some confusion as to the price of holding the event as the rent conditions keep changing. Jim suggested that Warren ask for clarification with a deadline, to figure out if we can continue with this endeavour.

d. Future Masters – Marilyn Haggins reported that there were 6 or 7 tables of novices at the Sectional in the under199ers section. She continues to buy books for the novices and they seem to be very well received by the winners. Marilyn will purchase more books at Penticton tournament. Jim thanked Marilyn and Murray Haggins for their efforts in promoting bridge in the “Bid and Play” and Novice game on Wednesday nights.

e. Secretary – Emelie Quennell reported that she posted the Jan minutes to the website and will now post the approved March 06 minutes. All documents are prepared for the AGM. Emelie will send a list of names of Mini McKenney and Ace of Club winners in all categories to Brian Willett so he may send an email to advise them so that the winners may be in attendance to receive their pins and certificates. Emelie will copy 25 copies of 2011 AGM Minutes and President’s and 2011 Financial Statements for the member’s tables. Melissa Martin will provide copies of the financial report. Emelie contacted the ACBL to have a Director’s examination sent to a monitor for Byron Lund.

f. Membership – Brian Willett talked about adding sonar to each of the email types (Shaw, Telus, Hotmail etc.) to ensure that email are getting out to those domains as there have been some recent problems. It is time to start organizing the new telephone directory. We will target September for the new directory so that it can have the new roster of directors and clubs. He informed Don that he received 2 AGM notices as undeliverable.

g. Information Officer – Lou Sandmaier was not present.

#### **4. Old Business**

a. Okotoks – previously discussed.

b. Unit Trailer process to Lethbridge. There was a problem with the vehicle towing the trailer to the Lethbridge Regional Tournament. Lou Sandmaier travelled to Lethbridge on short notice to ensure the trailer arrived as promised. Jim Murphy moved to reimburse Lou \$1 per kilometer return (\$222) for his travelling expenses plus 4 free plays and \$1 kilometre (\$111) for the Haggins for returning the trailer. Emelie Quennell seconded the motion. After further discussion it was decided to further investigate the validity of the amounts of these payments after consulting with the people who haul the trailer to ensure that we are, in fact, compensating in a fair manner. Jim Murphy suggested that Brian Willett, Murray Haggins, and Lou Sandmaier meet to discuss.

c. The board has decided to use the upcoming tournament in Montana that we will be providing the trailer and our supplies to as a test run to ascertain the feasibility and cost of providing said supplies and equipment to subsequent tournaments.

d. Special resolution at AGM – Lots of discussion in preparation of presenting the Special Resolution for a motion on the bylaws at the upcoming AGM. The message we all agreed on was to work with CCBL to promote bridge in Calgary together.

## **5. New Business**

a. Regional Chairman – Murray Haggins reported to the board on the progress in planning for the upcoming Calgary White Hat Regional, here in Calgary August 6-12, 2012 prior to the official opening of the board meeting. See notes at end of minutes.

b. Mentorship meeting – Nancy Stewart, Diane Campbell, Carol Lee Bellam and Ed Faichuk will have a planning meeting for the mentorship program. This program may not continue if there is not enough games that mentors are able to play with their mentees at.

**6. Next Meeting** - The next meeting will be held on June 19 at Jim Murphy's home and will begin at 5:45 pm at 95 Woodbrook Road SW, Calgary.

**7 Adjournment** - Nancy Stewart motioned that the meeting be adjourned at 10:11 pm. Brian Willett seconded this. The motion carried.

Murray Haggins talked about the planning of the White Hat Regional to be held in August of 2012 in Calgary. Most of the cost is for the hospitality associated with such an event. There have been some donations received and District 18 has guaranteed \$12,000 - \$15000 as help this regard. Bob Christie is penciled in as the editor of the Daily Bulletin. Photographers have been lined up. There will be a box lunch available for the Sunday Swiss Team event, which will be subsidized. The committee has looked at the success of last year's Regional in Edmonton, and has tried to emulate and capitalize on their successes. The goal of the Calgary Regional is to increase table numbers and generally have a more successful tournament than we held 3 years ago.