

Calgary Duplicate Bridge Association  
ACBL Unit 390  
Monday April 14, 2014  
Jim Murphy's House, 95 Woodbrook Rd SW  
5:45 Pm

Member's present:

Jim Murphy	Emelie Quennell
Gail Bews	Delores Hedley
Doris Lange	Marilyn Haggins
Larry Fenton	Ken Anderson (future board member)
Keith Wallace (future board member)	Judy Madge (future board member)

**1. Call to order** - Jim Murphy called the meeting to order at 6:48 pm.

**2. Approval of the Agenda** – Doris Lange moved to approve the agenda and Delores Hedley seconded. The motion passed

**3. Approval of the Minutes** - Emelie moved to have the minutes of the board meeting held on Jan 20, 2014 and the minutes of the extraordinary board meeting of Feb 26, 2014 passed as circulated. Gail Bews seconded and the motion passed.

**4. Director's Reports**

a) Larry reported that as of March 31, Unit has **\$15,230.39** in Bank Account. This includes some \$5,272 (in donations) belonging to Canadian Bridge Federation being held for their May CNTC.

A cheque from ACBL in the amount of \$ 1,523.01 was received in January - this is a twice-annual payment of reimbursement of a percentage of Unit 390 membership fees.

Total financial assets are **\$50,825.11** of which \$35,594.72 is invested in Term Deposits with varying maturity dates. A "strategy document" to aid in managing these term deposits was attached and included a summary of the four TD's currently held by Unit. Interest rates range between 0.7 and 2.25%. Unit financial records for past year were delivered to the "Auditor" on April 8 to ensure audit is completed in ample time before the May 22 AGM.

Attached are a Balance Sheet Summary and a Profit & Loss Statement to March 31, 2014. Also attached is a comparison of **March Sectional Revenue/Expenses** for 2014 vs. 2013. Net profit for Unit is up some \$2325 to \$1873 - up from loss of \$452 in 2013.

Some comparisons:	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
Table Count	234	194.5
Director's Trans + Hotel	\$349	\$978
ACBL Invoice	\$3,567	\$4,680
Net Receipts	\$8,497	\$7,010

USD Exchange Rate            1.11            1.0  
(Approx. \$300 extra cost to Unit in 2014)

Also attached was Actual Expenses and Revenues for last fiscal year compared with the Budget as presented at the AGM last May.

Larry Fenton moved to have his report accepted. Doris Lange seconded and the motion carried.

**b) Tournaments** - March Sectional (2014) was successful with 254 tables per treasurer's report. Only glitch was not enough boards for Sunday Swiss Teams. This has been reported to Steve Lawrence.

Future tournaments: Sanctioned tournaments for next 12 months:

September 12-14, 2014

Oct 31 to Nov 2, 2014

Jan 9 to 11, 2015

March 27-29, 2015

Proposed dates, which need to be sanctioned. Are these dates OK?

September 11-13, 2015

November 6-8, 2015

January 8-10, 2016

April 1-3, 2016

Saturday game time: We propose to change Saturday game times to 10 am and 3 pm to "match" Sunday's times. Discussion ensued. It was decided that the Friday evening game should be changed to 7:00 pm. Saturday would be 10:00 am and 3:00 pm

Open vs. Stratiflighted: Saturday play-through in March was an "open" game. We received both thanks and complaints. There were several points brought up and in the end Barb and Doris will make a decision about whether or not to switch back to the original format.

Email to membership: We could send an email to membership for their thoughts on items 3 and 4 above as well as asking for volunteers. The board decided that it could make these decisions at this time.

Budget: We prefer not to show an entry for catering profit at tournaments, as we will happily hire someone if we can find someone

Possible venue change: Shepard Hall (Stoney Trail and 118 Ave SE) is being considered for possible Sectional tournaments. I'll provide details at board meeting.

Doris Lange moved to have her report accepted and Larry Fenton seconded. Motion passed.

**c) Special Events** – The AGM is booked for Thursday, May 22, 2014 with Marilyn and Murray Haggins hosting at Southwood United Church. The 2014 GNT final is being played on April 26<sup>th</sup> at 2 different locations, one is at Bob and Linda Heidemann and a second location. Jim Murphy moved to accept the Special Events report, Emelie Quennell seconded and the motion carried.

**d) Future Masters** – We have purchased 200 convention cardholders, which Gail Bews has begun to distribute to the 199er players on the Friday afternoon game of the Sectional tournaments. 50 of these were given to Bob and Shirley McLeod who normally put one in each new member package.

The Winner of the newly named "Presidents Award" for most accrued points as a 199 player in the Sectional tournament was, once again, Peter Segers. Winners of E (Tricia Flanagan) and F (Gary Raab) were also recognized on the webpage and awarded a certificate and book, as well, from the Unit.

Gail Bews moved to have her report accepted, Delores Hedley seconded.

**e) Secretary** – Emelie Quennell reported that the amended list of officers was registered with the ACBL. She has posted minutes of the November 26, 2013 board meeting to the unit website. A call was made to the ACBL to sanction a game for the Unit. She recorded minutes for the extraordinary meeting held on Feb 26, 2014. Emelie Quennell moved to have her report accepted, Marilyn Haggins seconded. Motion carried.

**f) Membership** – no report.

**g) Information Officer** - Margaret Cooke relayed a message through Marilyn to the board to suggest that we consider having speakers such as the Gartaganis talk to players at sectional tournaments or in a more informal setting such as a Saturday morning lecture. Marilyn moved to have her report accepted. Doris Lange seconded and the motion carried.

## 5. Old Business

**a)** March 14, 15, 16<sup>th</sup> Sectional – discussed in Doris' report

**b)** CNT Championships May 2014 Donation to/for Bridge Week – Delores Hedley reported that the Potluck held on March 28, 2013 resulted in \$419 raised for the Promotional account. She gave Larry Fenton the cheque for the funds. Jim stated that the Unit regularly donates money to promote bridge in Calgary, such as the when the regional is held in Calgary. Gail Bews moved to donate \$3500 to the Promotional Account for the CNTC being held in Calgary in May. This money will be used to provide hospitality for the patrons. Marilyn Haggins seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**b)** AGM – The AGM will be held on May 22, 2014. Jim has sent out a

preliminary Agenda. They have been copied and will be sent out to members who do not receive email notification via regular mail 30 days in advance of the meeting in accordance with Unit 390 bylaws.

**c) Advertising** – Jim has been approached by several people who would like to be able to advertise events on the unit Website that are not club related. The board reiterated its original stance which is no advertising be allowed on the unit website.

## 5. New Business

**a) AGM May 2014 Special Presentation** – Last year we presented Joy Saville with a bouquet of flowers for her continuous support of the unit's use of Bridgemates. Delores suggested that we present Crystal Mann with a small token of appreciation (flower or plant) for her work on the Unit's email notice system. Gail suggested that we find a way to recognize the work that Don Basarsky has provided to the Unit in his considerable work on the bylaws and his tenure as president. Judy suggested a piece of art with a plaque to be displayed at a sectional or the AGM and then given to Cathy. It was suggested that Steve Lawrence also be recognized for his continual support of the unit over many years. \$50 - \$75 for flowers, \$100 for Don's gift.

**b) AGM Installation of Officers** – Jim Murphy will serve as Past President. Delores Hedley will become President. Gail Bews has agreed to be Vice President. Larry Fenton will remain in the Treasurer position. Judy Madge agreed to replace Emelie Quennell as Secretary. Keith Wallace will serve the Future Masters. The Special Events chair will be Ken Anderson. Membership chair will be Judy Gartaganis. The Information Officer position has not yet been filled. We need to make a few revisions to the unit website. **Remove Martin McDonald from Kibitzer. Add Barb to tournaments. Remove Jan McLeod and add Bob and Shirley McLeod as Newcomers.**

**c) New Equipment** – cards, bidding boxes and Duplimate. Steve Lawrence would like to come to the next board meeting and talk about new supplies for the unit. Emelie Quennell will forward the last board report on this topic to him.

**d) Directors School** – Delores approached Marilyn and Murray Haggins to see if they might be interested in running a program to train new directors. This could be for future directors or just people who want to understand the rules and regulations. Marilyn and Murray are considering offering this type of course.

**e) New Membership** – nothing to report

**f) The Longest Day June 21/14** – There is an annual event sponsored ACBL-wide which supports Alzheimer's Disease being held this year on June 21, 2014. We board discussed an email received from Jim Berglund suggesting holding a bridge presentation at a mall in support of the Longest Day. We are not able to support this at this time, but feel Jim

Berglund proposed many excellent ideas and that this should be something we pursue.

**6. Next Meeting** – The next meeting will be held June 24/2014 at Gail Bews home in NW, Calgary, AB.

**7. Adjournment** – Jim Murphy moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 pm. Emelie Quennell seconded. Motion carried.