

Minutes

Calgary Duplicate Bridge Association

ACBL Unit 390 – Board Meeting

November 6, 2014

5:30 p.m. Ken Anderson's Home

The meeting was called to order by President Delores at 6:45 p.m. Board Members present: Delores Hedley, Gail Bews, Jim Murphy, Doris Lange, Ken Anderson, Keith Wallace, Judy Madge, Judy Gartaganis, and Larry Fenton. Regrets: Rick Boyd.

Approval of Agenda

Larry moved and Ken seconded that the agenda be approved. Carried.

Approval of Minutes

Judy G. moved and Gail seconded that the minutes of the August 26 board meeting be approved. Carried.

Director Reports:

Treasurer – As of Nov. 3, the bank balance was \$1,956. Recent expenditures include the Duplimate and related supplies (\$7,300) and the painting of the Unit trailer (\$420). Total financial assets are \$38,142. An upcoming financial commitment is the advance of the seed money, \$5,700, (which will be recovered from the District) to the Regional Planning Committee. Keith moved and Judy G. seconded that a new financial heading for Special Events be created and that the meals provided at the Winter Sectional and the Rookie/Master Event be charged against this new heading. Carried. Larry moved and Gail seconded that the Treasurer's report be accepted. Carried.

Tournaments – Chris Galbraith has offered to cater future Sunday lunches at Sectionals if we sell the tickets. Doris moved and Ken seconded that we charge \$100/team for Sunday's team entry (will include four lunch tickets) at the March sectional. Carried. The September 2015 Sectionals venue was discussed as Marlborough Park has been rented to another group. However, the Community Centre may be available for the dates of Sept 4-6, 2015. Other dates and venues were also suggested, and Doris will keep investigating. Doris and Barb have offered to coach whoever replaces them in May. Doris will order paper supplies for the upcoming Regional. The Unit will pay up-front for these supplies, and will be reimbursed from the \$3 per table that Delores is to receive from the District for the Regional Tournament. Doris moved and Judy G. seconded that the Tournaments report be accepted. Carried.

Special Events – Planning for the Rookie/Master Swiss Teams Event on Nov. 8th is going well. Ken and Gail have suggestions for changes if the Event is to be offered annually. Judy G. suggested that those who attend be surveyed for feedback. Linda Wallace may be willing to connect with the rookies to collect information. Gail will speak to Linda. Ken moved and Gail seconded that the Rookie/Master Swiss Teams' Event be an annual event. Carried. Ken moved and Delores seconded that the Special Events report be accepted. Carried.

Future Masters – Keith reminded board members that the purpose of Free Plays is to promote new players and to develop the game. (The Aged 95+ free plays will be charged under another category – Larry will sort this out.) Keith will monitor Free Plays more closely. The President's Award for the 199 winners of Sectionals has changed from a miniature trophy to a book and certificate. Keith will consult with Janet Galbraith, who has the Unit Awards, about engraving the winners' names on the plaque, as well as arranging for the name on the plaque

to read *President's Award* (rather than President's Trophy). The winners of this Award will also be included in the annual award presentations. Keith moved and Gail seconded that the Future Masters report be accepted. Carried.

Secretary – A copy of the lease agreement with local bridge clubs for Bridgemate II's has been provided to Board members for preview. A summary of present lease agreements and their dates has also been provided for information. Jim moved and Delores seconded that this discussion be tabled to the next meeting. Judy M. will contact Emilie (designer of the original leases) and will bring a proposed new lease for the next meeting. Judy moved and Ken seconded that the Secretary's report be accepted. Carried.

Membership – As of November 1 there were 896 members (348 LMs and 538 non-LMs). ACBL has required that our membership list be updated through the deleting the names of deceased members. Judy has worked with Crystal to do this. There were 500 phone books printed at a cost of about \$1.50/book. These will be sold for \$1 each. Judy has learned up-dated information about some of the clubs and was advised to pass it along to the Webmaster. Judy moved and Doris seconded that the Membership report be accepted. Carried.

Information Officer – no report.

Old Business

- a) **Purchase of Equipment by Barbara & Steve** – Barb Webster set up and organized the boards for the Winter Sectional.
- b) **Sectional Survey** – tabled. Perhaps will ask who would be interested in taking a Director's Course.
- c) **90's Club** – two members turned 90 recently and were recognized with cookies from Delores.
- d) **Trailer Maintenance – Rust Inhibitor** – was painted for \$420 by Cosmos Collision. Jim will make enquiries about having our logo painted on the trailer.
- e) **Webpage** – Policy added: Trailer compensation.

New Business

- a) **Charge for Duplimating** – It was proposed that the Board offer Barb an annual lease for the use of the Duplimate for \$5.00 per set of Boards (which are to be supplied by the clubs). Unit 390 needs are a priority. Delores will discuss with Barb and e-mail the Board the results of this discussion.
- b) **Selling of Unit Boards** – Delores will check with Steve as he will know which boards and bidding box inserts could be passed along.
- c) **Increase in Sectional Rate** – Doris moved and Larry seconded that the September 2015 sectionals be increased to a minimum of \$10 for ACBL members. Carried.
- d) **Free Plays for 20 & Under** – decided to keep it simple and not address this.

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- e) 2015 Regional** – Delores has been guaranteed District funds for this event. Larry will provide advance funds from the Unit. These funds will be handled by a special Regional Committee treasurer.

Actions by E-Mail

- Motion (September 18, 2014): Delores moved and Judy M. seconded that Barbara Webster order more pass, stop and alert cards on behalf of the Unit. Carried.
- Motion (October 10, 2014): Judy G. moved and Delores seconded that we continue to charge \$1 each for the 2014 Calgary Duplicate Bridge Association Phone Lists. Carried.

Next meeting – January 15th, 2015 at 5:30 at Keith's House

Larry moved and Jim seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 9:40 p.m.