

Minutes

Calgary Duplicate Bridge Association

ACBL Unit 390 – Board Meeting

August 27, 2015 5:30 p.m. Larry Fenton's Home

The meeting was called to order by President Delores at 6:49 p.m. Board Members present: Delores Hedley, Larry Fenton, Judy Madge, Judy Gartaganis, Marcel Claeys, John Sharpe, and Brian Johns. Regrets: Ken Anderson, Dorothy Mersereau.

Approval of Agenda

Larry moved and Judy G. seconded that the agenda be approved. Carried.

Approval of Minutes

Brian moved and Delores seconded that the minutes of the April 28th board meeting be approved. Carried.

President's Report

Old Business: arising from April 28th, 2015 meeting

- Insurance on our Assets – estimate of \$500/year.
- An inventory will be taken by Steve L. and Delores after the Sectional in September. This will give us an indication of the value of our assets. Delores will look into the issue of liability at Sectionals.

New Business:

- Jack Murphy Trophy – may be awarded in November. Names to be forwarded to Delores by September 10th.
- Regional Results – 1026 tables with a profit of \$2,764.10 realized.
- No Scents Policy – will continue

Vice President's Report – nothing to report

Director Reports

Treasurer – Report submitted. Approximately \$8,000 in bank account. Most assets are in term deposits. Boards have been sold. Cheque received from ACBL – a rebate of partial membership fees. Larry moved and Delores seconded that the report be accepted.

New Business – the external drive has been turned over to Judy G. for organization. We will keep financials back to 2011. March 31 will be year-end.

Tournaments – Report submitted. Sectional fees have gone up to \$10.00. Discussion about the Sunday meal. Sandwiches can be supplied from a local business. Delores moved and Larry seconded that the report be accepted.

Special Events – Ken was absent. Will be working on the Novice/Masters game for the end of November.

Future Masters – nothing to report. Working on awards.

Secretary – Report submitted. The new board has been registered with Alberta Societies and posted on the ACBL Web Page. Draft minutes for the AGM were circulated. Judy moved and Brian seconded that the Secretary's report be accepted.

Membership – Report submitted. The membership sits at 888 as of August 1st. Several Life Members have come forward to pay membership fees. Judy moved and Judy M. seconded that the report be accepted.

New Business – Judy M. moved and Brian seconded that we continue to publish and sell the phone directories as we have in the past. Carried.

Information Officer – Brian continues with the process of collecting job descriptions of the associate members to post on the website. Those received are highlighted. 10 have been received. New Member Liaison (Shirley & Bob McLeod), Sectional Partnership Desk (Marjorie Grubb), Webmaster (Dave Swadron), Mentorship Committee Chair (Nancy Stewart), Conduct and Ethics (Doug Mann), Recorder (Frank Ayer), Photography (JoAnn Horne), Trophies (Janet Galbraith), Unit Journalist (John Hinde), Unit Assets (Steve Lawrence), Notices (Crystal Mann), Cards and Best Wishes (Doris Fishman), Kibitzer Editor (Judy & Nick Gartaganis), Caddy Master. A manual will be established for Associate Member positions. A general description of the position will be posted on the website, and the manual will include in-depth procedures. Delores will re-format the submissions for the website. Brian moved and John seconded that the report be accepted. Carried.

New Business

- Boot camps for newer players – Nancy Klym and Bev Mason offer two-day camps to the general public. They are aimed at bridge players with few master points. Delores suggested supporting these boot camps in order to encourage new membership. Support ideas discussed were providing venues, advertising (website and elsewhere), possible free plays or the purchase of first year ACBL fees. Delores will pursue the concept and speak to Nancy about working with the Unit.
- Directors' course – Doug and Crystal are willing to run it in Doug's Board Room. Judy G. suggests advertising at the Sectional and offering it after Christmas if there is enough interest (at least 10 participants). Judy G. moved and John seconded that we approach Doug and Crystal Mann to run a director's course in January at a place and date agreeable to them and the Unit. The unit will organize it. Carried.
- Teachers' course – Delores will look into the cost of hosting someone to teach this course next spring. Could draw participants from outside Calgary as well.
- A new *Kibitzer* will be coming out in early November. Submit items to Judy G.
- Objectives – tabled

Actions by E-Mail - none

Next meeting – November 12, 2015 at 5:30 at Judy G's House.

Judy M. moved that the meeting be adjourned at 9:30p.m.