

# Minutes

## Calgary Duplicate Bridge Association

### ACBL Unit 390 – Board Meeting

January 21, 2016 5:30 p.m. Judy Madge's Home

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The meeting was called to order by President Delores at 6:25 p.m. Board Members present: Delores Hedley, Larry Fenton, Judy Madge, Judy Gartaganis, Marcel Claeys, John Sharpe, Ken Anderson. Regrets: Dorothy Mersereau, Brian Johns.

#### Approval of Agenda

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

#### Approval of Minutes

Ken moved and Judy G. seconded that the minutes of the November 12th board meeting be approved as amended. Carried.

#### President's Report

*Old Business: arising from November 12th, 2015 meeting*

- List of Assets – Delores shared the list that she prepared with the help of Barbara Webster.
- Jack Murphy Award – will be awarded soon.
- Insurance on our Assets – waiting on Tom.
- AGM scheduled for May 14<sup>th</sup> at Kerby Centre (11:30 – 4:30) – not an optimum date, but all that could be arranged. Will try to book earlier in the future.
- *Bridge in a Day* – no one from the unit checked it out at the Denver tournament so we will not proceed with it as a Board initiative. Marcel moved and Delores seconded that we not proceed with Bridge in a Day. Carried.
- St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church in Bow Cliff – problem with parking – only street parking available. Delores moved and Larry seconded that we not pursue the rental of this facility. Carried.

*New Business:*

- Advertising in the Kibitzer – Larry moved and John seconded that we allow non-bridge related advertising on the website (which includes the Kibitzer). Defeated. Judy G. moved and Judy M. seconded that we include a notice board on the website which is where bridge related notices will be posted. Carried. Delores will discuss this with the Unit webmaster.
  - Chair of the next Regional – Emilie Quennell.
  - Response to Charlie Lamb's e-mail – agreed that we would request him to vote to keep card fees as low as is feasible.
  - Caddymaster – should be mindful of conflict of interest with family members.
  - Additional Advertising for Sectionals – Delores has used graphics to enhance the e-mail she sends out to members.
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## Vice President's Report

Old Business:

- Boot Camp – 40 participants, excellent positive feed-back. A second one can be offered in late April with different content. “Pumping up Your Defense”
- Directors' Course – Has been organized for the end of January. Will cost the unit around \$700.
- Teacher Accreditation Course – Crystal and Doug Mann are not yet qualified to offer this. For future consideration.

## Director Reports

*Treasurer* – Report submitted. \$6,121. in the bank account with a cheque from ACBL expected in the amount of \$1551. (U.S.). Total assets are \$42,305. A Balance Sheet Summary and a Profit & Loss Statement to January 19, 2016 were attached, as was a comparison of financials for the January Sectionals, 2015 and 2016. A \$400 difference can be attributed to the exchange rate with the American dollar. Also attached was the Actual Expenses and Revenues to date compared with the Budget for our current fiscal year as presented at the AGM last June. Budget items for next year should be submitted to Larry by the end of March. Larry moved and Ken seconded that his report be accepted.

*Tournaments* – Report submitted. New Year Sectional went well. Tracy Horan filled in very well in Dorothy's absence. Delores will send her a card to acknowledge her good work.

Old Business: Carriage House Hotel would like to be the venue for Regionals. This will be up to the District and Delores will pass along their interest to them.

*Special Events* – Report submitted. The Rookie Master Team Game will be at the Kerby Centre on Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. Cost will be \$10 per person. 18 tables so far. Delores will look after food direction and Judy G. and John offered to look after the registration tables. AGM will be booked for 2017 in order to preserve the best possible date. Ken moved and Judy M. seconded that the report be accepted.

*Future Masters* – Report submitted. Delores will draft a letter to 'newby' teachers inviting them to make their students aware of club games and venues. Marcel moved and Judy G. seconded that the report be accepted.

*Secretary* – Report submitted. Bridgemates' Lease Agreements

Lease Expiration Date	Club Name	Signing Representative	Bridgmate Terminals
May 27, 2020	Aurora	Debbie Hanson	24
May 27, 2020	BridgeJoy	Brian/Joy Saville	32
December 1, 2020	BridgeNutz	Murray Haggins	20
December 1, 2020	Chinook	Claire Strachan	27
December 1, 2020	North Calgary Ladies	Paula Sisko	20
December 1, 2020	South Calgary Ladies	Dorothy Brayford	30
Unleased units housed with the Assets Manager (Steve Lawrence)			2
Total Bridgemates owned by Unit 390			155

Judy M. moved and Ken seconded that the report be accepted.

*Membership* - Report submitted. Membership continues to be stable and sits at 897. Role of the Recorder talk at the Sectionals went well with around 20 members in attendance. The recorder will also submit an article to the Kibitzer. Delores moved and Judy G. seconded that we order the medal set for the Mini McKenney awards. Judy sold 42 phone books at the Sectionals. Judy moved and Ken seconded that the report be accepted.

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Judy G. presented information about ACBL on-line initiatives: *Constant Contact* and *Pianola* (bridge specific data base allowing mass e-mails as well as results reporting from clubs). She will continue to keep the Board apprised of any updates on the matter.

*Information Officer* – nothing to report at this time.

### **New Business**

- Larry and Ken will be leaving the Board after the AGM.
- Discussion of the April Sectional celebration. Saturday evening – no-host bar and nibbles.

### **Actions by E-Mail**

- none

**Next meeting – Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at John Sharpe's Home – 2724 Palliser Drive S.W.**

Judy M. moved that the meeting be adjourned at 9:35 p.m.