

# Minutes

## Calgary Duplicate Bridge Association

### ACBL Unit 390 – Board Meeting

November 14, 2016 6:00 p.m. Inglewood Golf Club

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The meeting was called to order by President John at 6:15 p.m. Board Members present: John Sharpe, Ed Lamb, Judy Madge, Tracy Horan, Dorothy Mersereau, Dev Drysdale, Judith Gartaganis, and Delores Hedley. Regrets: Marcel Claeys. Resignation: Brian Johns.

**Approval of Agenda** - Judith moved and Dev seconded that the agenda be approved. Carried.

**Approval of Minutes** - Tracy moved and Dev seconded that the minutes of the September 13 board meeting be approved. Carried.

### President's Report

*Old Business: arising from September 13, 2016 meeting*

- AGM and Rookie/Master Game have been booked for the Kerby. Tables should be on hand.
- Travelling expenses for Nick and Judith Gartaganis have been sent - \$250.00 each.
- Card given to John Hinde in recognition of his work on the *Hinde Quarters*.
- Audrey Grant Better Bridge Festival was a great success with 22 teachers, 95 attendees at the multi-level workshop and 28 at the beginner's workshop. These were split as some were not absolute beginners with Bev Mason and Nancy Klym teaching the beginners and Audrey the not-quite beginners. Wrong way around?

*New Business:*

- Audrey Grant has offered to return next year to present a workshop of her choosing.
- Webmaster. Judith Gartaganis has taken it on in the interim as Crystal and Doug Mann will be taking over the permanent position shortly. We will review the situation in three months' time.
- *Fargo* – still looking for more bridge players – will be filmed in January. Still issues to be resolved (partitions?).
- Alzheimer's Charity bridge event – nine table, all-day Shopping Mall event, Wednesday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017 (Longest Day). Ed will continue with the organization.

### Vice President's Report

Old Business: Boot Camp II repeat in October was a great success.

New Business:

- Boot Camp III planned for November 19-20 at Inglewood Golf Club.
  - April 2017 Boot Camp. Will continue with present rate of charges - \$160 for members, \$175 for non-members. The purpose continues to be to encourage new members as well as to broaden opportunities for existing members.
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## Director Reports

*Treasurer* – Report submitted. Charges for the Sectionals have increased substantially over last year primarily due to an increase in amounts paid to the ACBL and the Tournament Directors. Ed moved and Judy G. seconded that the report be accepted.

*Tournaments* – Report submitted. Venue – Marlborough Park is still available as is the Clarion Hotel. Dorothy moved and Ed seconded that we negotiate with the Clarion Hotel for Sectionals for the next two years. Carried. Dorothy will look at the possibility of having the boards pre-set for the Swiss Teams game. Discussion around combining the A/X/B/C games for some part of the Sectional in April. Judith moved and Tracy seconded that we raise the card fees by \$1 for Sectionals. Carried.

*Special Events* – Report submitted. Rookie/Master game has been booked for the Kerby for February 4, 2017. Doug Mann will direct and Crystal Mann will assist if attendance warrants. Dev will co-chair the event while Delores will assist with setting up the teams. GNT's – May 12-13; qualifying games need to be booked. Waiting to hear from Marilyn Swadron (District 18 GNT, NAP and Special Events Coordinator) before proceeding. Tracy moved and Dorothy seconded that the report be accepted.

*Future Masters* – Duties have been transferred from Marcel to Dev. Report submitted. 199'er winners from the Sectional. 39 new members have received free plays. Developing a culture of silence – directors could be asking players to keep the noise level down when others are still playing. Dev moved and Tracy seconded that the report be accepted.

*Secretary* – Report submitted. Update of the Bridgmates Leases to Clubs. Judy moved and Dev seconded that the report be accepted.

*Membership* - Report submitted. Phone Directory – two new formats for consideration. CCBL will contribute \$1200 towards the new (smaller) format and will have both sides of the back cover on which to print their information. Judith moved and Judy seconded that we print 600 copies of the smaller format (200 of which would go to the CCBL). Carried. Total number of members continues to be stable at 908. Judith moved and Dorothy seconded that the report be accepted.

*Information Officer* – No report submitted.

**New Business** – Brian Johns has resigned as the Vice President. Marcel has resigned from the Future Master's Position, but may be willing to stay on the Board.

Judy moved and John seconded that the Unit cover the cost of the meals at Board meetings. Carried.

**Actions by E-Mail** – no items to report

**Next meeting – Thursday, Jan. 26, 2017 at Inglewood Golf & Curling Club. 19 Gosling Way S.E.**

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