

Minutes

Calgary Duplicate Bridge Association

ACBL Unit 390 – Board Meeting

April 13, 2017 6:00 p.m. Inglewood Golf Club

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

Approval of Agenda – Judith moved and Tracy seconded that the agenda be approved. Carried.

Approval of Minutes – Dev moved and Tracy seconded that the minutes of the January 26 Board meeting be approved as amended. Carried.

President's Report

Old Business: arising from January 26, 2017 meeting

- As nothing has been heard, it is assumed that Audrey Grant will not be returning.
- *Fargo*. The episode will be aired at 8 p.m. on Wednesday April 19th (on FX).
- Delores loaned 20 Boards to the Grubbs in January for their cruise.

New Business:

- Carrie Stockman has volunteered to take over the position of Vice President.
- AGM is scheduled for May 13 at the Kerby Centre. Need volunteers for the two board positions vacated by Marcel and Dorothy.
- Dave Swadron, long-time Unit web-master, passed away on Sunday April 9th.
- Michael Serafini has requested a scholarship to attend the youth NABC in Toronto. Judith moved and Judy seconded that we award \$200.00 to Michael for travel subsidy. Carried. Judith will draft a youth travel policy to be discussed at a future meeting.
- The Calgary Regional has been booked at the Clarion Hotel for July 16 – 22, 2018. Emilie Quenelle is chairing the planning committee. Discussion about the timing of the games. Suggestion that the main games be held at 10:00 and 3:00 with side games in the evening. This is a decision for the Regional Planning Committee to make.

Vice President's Report

Old Business:

- Another Boot Camp is planned for April 22-23. It will be a repeat of Boot Camp III. Charge will be \$175 plus \$10 for non-members, meaning that the camp is no longer subsidized.
 - Bridgemates. Joy and Brian have successfully overhauled their Bridgemates so it would seem that there is no risk of imminent replacement. A replacement strategy was discussed resulting in the following decisions. When the leases expire in 2020 we will offer them to the clubs on an annual basis rather than for 5-year terms. John moved and Ed seconded that as the Bridgemates fail in the future, the Unit not replace them. Carried. The Unit has no plans to purchase more Bridgemates. Judy will write a letter to the clubs advising them of this new policy. Carrie moved and Judith seconded that we advise Brian Johns to make arrangements to borrow Bridgemates from other clubs. Carried.
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New Business: Another Boot Camp with new material is scheduled for May 6-7 at Inglewood.

Director Reports

Treasurer – Report submitted. Financials are healthy. John suggested, to general agreement, that more money be spent on hospitality at the Sectionals. Ed moved and Dev seconded that the report be accepted.

Alzheimer's Fund Raiser – after many tries, there has been no success in finding a venue. It was decided not to proceed with this at the Unit level.

Tournaments – Report submitted. There were 270 tables as compared to 265 last year. Judy moved and Tracy seconded that the report be accepted as amended. Judith suggested that we keep our speakers to members of our unit.

Special Events – Report submitted. Rookie Master was very successful. Tracy will book the Kerby for next year. AGM is booked for May 13th. Notices will be mailed to those who do not have e-mail addresses. The GNT also takes place on May 13th at the Clarion Hotel. Tracy will request volunteer members to monitor it. Tracy moved and Dev seconded that the report be accepted.

Future Masters – Report submitted. It included the list of the 199 winners at the Spring Sectional. Dev will follow up with new members to encourage them to use their free plays. John suggested that Dev investigate having a 299'er only Sectional. Dev moved and John seconded that the report be accepted.

Secretary – Report submitted. List of correspondence and motions added to the record. Judy moved and Dev seconded that the report be accepted as amended.

Membership - Report submitted. The Unit is up 18 members since the January meeting. Since 2009 the Unit is up over 200 members. Judith moved and Tracy seconded that the report be accepted. Phone books have all been sold although there are still some with the CCBL. Judith moved and John seconded that we go ahead with the 90 day free trial of the *Pianola* e-mail system as suggested by Crystal. Carried.

Information Officer – nothing to report at this time.

New Business – Need two new board members. Tracy will look at some by-law revisions with discussion to follow at a future meeting. The proposed revisions will be presented to the membership at the 2018 AGM.

Actions by E-Mail –

- Jan 28: Proposal to sell the Unit Duplimator. Decision was to keep it.
- Feb 28 Motion: Unit to continue its contract with *Just Host* for site and domain registration (\$400). Carried.
- March 17 Motion: Judith to purchase Mini-McKenney medallion set for the AGM. Carried.

Next meeting – Tuesday, May 16, 2017, 6:00p.m. at Inglewood Golf & Curling Club. 19 Gosling Way S.E.

Judy moved that the meeting be adjourned at 9:24 p.m.