

Minutes

Calgary Duplicate Bridge Association

ACBL Unit 390 – Board Meeting

May 30, 2017 6:00 p.m. Inglewood Golf Club

The meeting was called to order by John at 6:35 p.m. Members present: John Sharpe, Ed Lamb, Judy Madge, Tracy Horan, Dev Drysdale, Judith Gartaganis, Delores Hedley, Carrie Stockman and Caroleigh Houghton.

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

Approval of Minutes – Judith moved and Ed seconded that the minutes of the April 13 Board meeting be approved. Carried.

President's Report

Old Business: arising from April 13, 2017 meeting

Still need a volunteer for the position of Tournament Co-ordinator. John will send out a notice asking for volunteers for the position or to serve as an assistant to Carrie who has volunteered to oversee the September Sectional. Judith will create an advertising document for this position.

New Business:

- Joy Saville has requested that the Unit purchase replacement key pads for the Bridgemates since they are still having sticking problems. Cost is \$10 U.S. apiece. John will order eight of them.
- A seminar on the new Laws of Contract Bridge is scheduled for July 11th.

Vice President's Report

Old Business:

- The Boot Camp on April 22nd, which was a repeat of Boot Camp III, had an attendance of 35. Feedback was positive.
- The Boot Camp scheduled for May 6/7 is cancelled due to lack of attendees (16 compared with a required minimum of 24).

New Business: Should another Boot Camp with new material be scheduled for October at Inglewood? John will speak to Nancy and Bev in regards to a new Boot Camp.

Director Reports

Treasurer – Report submitted. Unit has \$11,978 in the chequing account and \$31,239 in term deposits, for total financial assets of \$43,217 (slightly down from \$44,280 at April 12, 2017). Ed led a discussion around the budget for 2017 – 2018. Ed moved and Dev seconded that the report and the budget be approved as presented. Carried.

Tournaments – Carrie has volunteered to look after the September (8, 9, 10th) Sectional. Carrie will survey the membership about timing of the games. Further discussion arose about combining X/A/B/C sections and the possible re-organization of 199'ers to 299'ers. No clear direction was determined. Carrie will take over the role of sanctioning from Dorothy.

Special Events –

- GNT event was successful. Discussion arising from the report indicated that the internet connection was adequate this year, but problems were encountered owing to AGM and GNT coinciding, and other issues. Suggestion that John write to the District Representative outlining the concerns that we have around the smooth offering of the GNT in the future.
- The AGM was a success with 19 tables. Tracy will contact the Kerby Centre for June 9, 2018. Need to quantify food requirements.

Tracy moved and Judy seconded that the report be accepted.

Future Masters – Carrie will design a new format for the initial Unit correspondence to new players. Dev is looking into organizing a one-day sectional for 299'ers. Suggested date – November 18, 2017 (10:00 & 2:30 games). To be held at the Kerby, if available. Judith will check into ACBL for more information about holding this event.

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

Membership – Report submitted. Membership sits at 937 as of May 1, 2017. Judith moved and Caroleigh seconded that the report be accepted. *Pianola for E-mail vs Constant Contact*. Crystal tried the e-mail feature and found that it has fewer features than *Constant Contact*. Still have 50 days left on the free trial.

Information Officer – Caroleigh Houghton was welcomed to the Board. She will continue to pursue getting Bridge into the schools.

New Business – Judith drafted a new Youth/Junior Travel Subsidy Policy for amendment to the updated Unit 390 Travel Subsidy Policy. She will circulate the documents by e-mail to board members for discussion, changes, and motion.

Actions by E-Mail –

May 6 – Michael Farebrother will be hosting a seminar on the changes to the Laws of Contract Bridge to will take place on Tuesday, July 11. Although it will be open to all members, it is primarily aimed at club owners and directors. John moved and Marcel seconded that the Unit support this function financially. Carried. Attendees will be charged \$15 to attend, but will be given a \$15 dinner subsidy. Michael will be paid \$150.00.

Next meeting – September 26th at 6:00 p.m. at Inglewood. –

Judy moved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:51 p.m.