

Minutes

Calgary Duplicate Bridge Association

ACBL Unit 390 – Board Meeting

September 11, 2018 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, Judith Gartaganis, Delores Hedley, Carrie Stockman, Jo Peterson, Marvis Olsen, Myron Achtman, and Lyman Warner.
Regrets: Caroleigh Houghton

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

Approval of Minutes – Ed moved and Delores seconded that the minutes of the May 15 meeting be approved. Carried.

President's Report (*John Sharpe*)

Old Business arising from May 15, 2018 meeting:

- Bylaws received regulatory approval from Alberta Registries.
- Mentorship program launched successfully. John will send out a feedback form at the end the program.
- CCBL proposed bridge centre has encountered planning permission problems

New Business:

- Boot Camp for the coming year? Perhaps limit it to one this year as interest appears to be waning.
- Regional/sectional in Banff 2020? They have approached David Johnson, District Rep., about it. It could impact the number of sectionals held in Calgary.
- New bidding boxes. Delores moved and Lyman seconded that we purchase new bidding boxes. Carried. The cost around \$2,500. Jo will contact Barbara Webster (who has been in charge of the bidding boxes) to bring a recommended format/price to the next Board meeting.
- Judith moved and Carrie seconded that we fund Michael Serafini \$350 to help with costs of attending the Youth NACB's in Atlanta in August. Carried.

Vice President's Report (*Lyman Warner*) – nothing at this time

Director Reports

Treasurer (*Ed Lamb*) – Report submitted. \$22,459 is the balance of the chequing account and we have \$26,231 in term deposits. Local Regional Committee's fund-raised seed money (\$3,670) sits in our bank account until the next Regional. Ed moved and Judy seconded that the report be accepted as presented.

Tournaments (*Carrie Stockman/Jo Peterson*) – Report submitted. Carrie is working on the new members' pamphlet. The 299'er Regional will be held at the Clarion November 10. This means that the trailer does not have to be moved after the Sectional. Prices will be going up at the Clarion in January 2019. Carrie is looking for alternate venues, and would welcome suggestions. Carrie moved and Jo seconded that we raise the card fees to \$12 for the 2019 Sectionals due to increased venue expenses. Carried. Discussion about the introduction of Bracketed Swiss Teams. It would be a logistical nightmare. Is there a way to more evenly balance the A/X teams for Swiss Teams (i.e. change the MP limits)? Judy will look at the website list to see if there is a more balanced cut-off limit. Carrie moved and John seconded that the report be accepted.

Special Events (Marvis Olsen/Delores Hedley) – Dates to be set: GNT – conflicts with CBF; AGM – June 1st; Rookie-Master – March 2.

Future Masters (Susan Korba) –Transitioning players from lessons to the clubs could be done through a supervised bid and play. How could this be encouraged? Co-Op advertising program at ACBL may provide a subsidy. Susan moved and John seconded that the report be accepted.

Secretary (Judy Madge) – Report submitted: a list of motions, actions by e-mail, and correspondence. There are several non-elected positions listed on the ACBL website. Are the names current? The website will be updated. Judy moved and Delores seconded that the report be accepted.

Membership (Judith Gartaganis) - Report submitted. Membership sits at 984 as of September 1. Judith provided comparison charts of the past 7 years, as well as the end of June QUIP report. Judith moved and Carrie seconded that the report be accepted.

Reaching out to temporary members – Carrie will draft a letter of welcome to be sent to them. Judith will take on the Notices Position for the Unit as Crystal has resigned. Total cost for the Phone Booklets was \$2,036.74 less the \$1,000 donation from the CCBL. Judith sold 374 booklets at the Sectional including those purchased by the clubs to be distributed to their members. The CCBL received 150 booklets at no additional charge.

Information Officer (Caroleigh Houghton) –

Youth Education (Myron Achtman) – Two schools have expressed interest in having Unit members teach bridge in their schools, and a third would like Myron to visit. Myron has a list of members who are interested in mentoring or teaching in the schools. He feels that there would be minimum expense involved.

New Business

Next meeting – December 6, 6:00 p.m. at Inglewood

Judy moved that the meeting be adjourned at 9:06.