

Minutes

Calgary Duplicate Bridge Association

ACBL Unit 390 – Board Meeting

December 11, 2018 6:00 p.m. Inglewood Golf Club

The meeting was called to order by John at 6:21 p.m. Members present: John Sharpe, Ed Lamb, Judy Madge, Susan Korba, Judith Gartaganis, Delores Hedley, Carrie Stockman, Jo Peterson, Caroleigh Houghton, and Lyman Warner. Regrets: Marvis Olsen, Myron Achtman. Guest: Barbara Webster

Approval of Agenda – Carrie moved and Sue seconded that the agenda be approved. Carried.

Approval of Minutes – Sue moved and Delores seconded that the minutes of the September 11 meeting be approved. Carried.

President's Report (*John Sharpe*)

Old Business arising from May 15, 2018 meeting:

- Two Over One Boot Camp completed successfully. 38 participants.
- New bidding boxes? Barbara Webster completed a very detailed comparison of several types and was present to answer questions. Jo moved and Judy seconded that Barbara proceed with purchasing 72 bidding boxes and inserts for the Unit. Carried.

New Business:

- Intermediate/novice players survey? Unfortunately, our 299'er members were not surveyed so we can't be sure if the results reflect their attitudes. John will speak to David Johnson about our lack of participation.
- CCBL bridge center has lost its status as an educational charity, thus no longer qualifies to participate in casinos. Re-qualifying is now a focus.
- Harassment at the bridge table – Some incidents have been reported. John will talk to the Recorder to see what action has been taken.

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

Director Reports

Treasurer (Ed Lamb) – Report submitted. \$20,674 is the balance of the chequing account and there is \$26,232 in term deposits showing total financial assets of \$46,906. Ed moved and Judy seconded that the report be accepted as presented.

Tournaments (Carrie Stockman/Jo Peterson) – Report submitted. Carrie presented the new members' pamphlet which she has drafted, along with welcome letters for new members and new temporary members. She also shared the brochure for the New Year's Sectional. In order to more evenly balance A/X teams, Steve Bates suggested, and Carrie implemented, averaging team members' MP's. Banff may be interested in holding the November 2019 sectional. Carrie moved and John seconded that the report be accepted.

Special Events (Marvis Olsen/Delores Hedley) – Delores reported that the GNT finals are set for May 31 and June 1; the AGM will be held Sunday, June 2nd; and the Rookie-Master team game, March 2. Locations are still to be determined.

Future Masters (Susan Korba) – Report submitted. The 299'er sectional was held in November. Sue is considering changes for next year based on some issues, including those voiced by the directors. The suggested date for next year's 299'er Sectional is Nov. 9th, location to be determined. Susan moved and Caroleigh seconded that the report be accepted.

Secretary (Judy Madge) – Report shared. Included correspondence from the ACBL and items discussed by e-mail. Judy moved and Caroleigh seconded that the report be accepted.

Membership (Judith Gartaganis) - Report submitted. Membership sits at 1,002 (!!) as of December 1, 2018. Judith moved and Lyman seconded that the report be accepted. Judith also reported that 16 of the 24 temporary members have now taken out full membership. There are 112 phone books left to sell. Judith continues to use the Mann's Shaw account (at no extra cost) to send out notices through Constant Contact. Terri Bedard has volunteered to take over notices in the new year. The ACBL has defined new convention charts which govern which conventions are permitted at various levels of games; Judith will e-mail the link to the lengthy explanation of the new charts to Board Members. Unit Games – the Unit is entitled or hold or designate clubs to hold 22 of these each year. Carrie awards them as requested by clubs. Two are reserved for the Rookie-Master team game and the AGM. There have always been more than requested or used by the Unit.

Information Officer (Caroleigh Houghton) – Grades 5 & 6 bridge learners at St. Jude's Elementary would like to hold a tournament for the three schools which are participating in the 2018-19 Bridge in Schools Program. The principal at St. Jude's is on board with the idea. Caroleigh moved and John seconded the report.

Youth Education (Myron Achtman) – nothing at this time

New Business

Next meeting – February 12 -- Inglewood

Judy moved that the meeting be adjourned at 9:03.