

# Calgary Duplicate Bridge Association ACBL Unit 390 – Board Meeting

April 23, 2019 6:00 p.m. Inglewood Golf Club

The meeting was called to order by John at 6:08 p.m. Members present: John Sharpe, Ed Lamb, Judy Madge, Marvis Olson, Judith Gartaganis, Delores Hedley, Susan Korba, Jo Peterson, Caroleigh Houghton, and Lyman Warner, Carrie Stockman. Regrets: Myron Achtman.

**Approval of Agenda** – Delores moved and Caroleigh seconded that the agenda be approved as amended. Carried.

**Approval of Minutes** – Caroleigh moved and Judith seconded that the minutes of the February 12 meeting be approved as corrected. Carried.

# President's Report (John Sharpe)

Old Business arising from minutes February 12, 2019 meeting:

Comments on the public address system used at the April Sectional? John moved and Jo seconded that we purchase the P.A. model used at the April sectional (800 watts). Carried. John will purchase the system.

- New Business:
  - Support for the non-life master/under 750 regional? John moved and Delores seconded that we charge the NLM Regional the fees specified by the District for the tables and the Bridgemates, and it will be the Unit's responsibility to deliver the equipment to the venue. Carried. Carrie moved and John seconded that the Unit designate \$1,500 to the NLM Regional for hospitality. We will request that the district provides us with an accounting of how this \$1500.00 is spent. Carried.
  - Another Directors' Course? John will put out a notice of interest and hope that at least twelve people indicate an interest in taking the course. Susan moved and John seconded that if there are at least ten people who wish to take the directors' course, they will be charged \$150, and John will proceed. Carried.
  - How many boot camps next year? The instructors are prepared to offer two again next year.
  - Next year's board members: Everyone except Judy Madge will be serving next year. Delores has found Olga Williams who would like to serve as secretary.
  - Mentorship Program Discussion regarding the number of free plays given out to mentors. Mentors will continue to receive three free plays per mentee.

# Vice President's Report (Lyman Warner)

- We will lend the new club EndsInY (John Prance, manager) the equipment that they require for their trial period in June.
- Feeling that the Unit Recorder should be replaced. Chris Wuerscher will be approached by John.

# **Director Reports**

*Treasurer* (*Ed Lamb*) – Report submitted. Ed presented a proposed budget for next year. It appears that we are looking at a loss of around \$4,500, unlike previous years which have shown profits. Carrie moved and John seconded that the 2020 Budget be approved. Carried. Ed moved and Judy seconded that the report be accepted as presented.

*Tournaments (Carrie Stockman/Jo Peterson)* – Report submitted. The Sunday lunch was not as well attended as previously. Continue to be open to suggestions for a new venue. Carrie moved and Judy seconded that the report be accepted.

*Special Events (Marvis Olson/Delores Hedley)* - [Discussion: what is a fair and consistent rate for paying directors for special events? Not all events require the same amount of work by the director(s). Carrie will create a chart suggesting director rates. Carried over]. The AGM, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, will comprise the meeting, a lunch, and a bridge game and will be held at Haysboro. The GNT will be held at Westgate on May 31 and June 1<sup>st</sup>. Marvis moved and Delores seconded that the report be accepted.

*Future Masters (Susan Korba)* – Report submitted. The date for the next 299'er Sectional is Nov. 9, 2019 and it will be held at the Clarion.

*Secretary* (*Judy Madge*) – Report shared. Carrie will be registered with the ACBL to be the keeper of the Unit Club number used by directors for the Unit special games. Judy moved and Delores seconded that the report be accepted.

*Membership (Judith Gartaganis)* - Report submitted. Membership sits at 1,015 as of April 1, 2019. Judith moved and Carrie seconded that the report be accepted.

- Judith moved and Carrie seconded that the Unit authorize Judith to purchase the Mini McKenney award medals to be presented at the AGM. Carried.
- The Unit website was down again this month. Some pieces of software used on the 390 website have come to the end of their lives and require an update within a couple of months.

*Information Officer (Caroleigh Houghton)* – School tournament went well and the monitor/volunteer presence was appreciated. More card holders were needed as hands are small. Students were happy with the trophies and refreshments. Myron wishes to acknowledge Mr. Vijay Thankey of RE/MAX Realty Professionals and owner of the Pizza Bank for supplying 16 large pizzas. Even more pizza would have been consumed! Who knew?

*Youth Education* (*Myron Achtman*) – Report Submitted. The Bridge in Schools Program is now in place at five schools. What are the plans for next year? The program needs to be continuous for it to be effective. Program will have to be moved into the junior highs as students advance. John suggested that it needs to be turned over to the school's teachers in order to build the continuity as we don't have the number of personnel ourselves.

# **New Business**

Should the unit award a yearly citizen honour? Great Falls does this. The citizen has their name on the trophy and a name tag showing their name, the award, and the year. Not clear how the person is chosen. Gratefully declined.

#### Next meeting – To Be Announced

Judy moved that the meeting be adjourned at 9:17.