

MINUTES

Calgary Duplicate Bridge Association

ACBL Unit 390 - Board Meeting April 17th, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 3:30p.m. by John Sharpe present: 09

Present: Ed Lamb, Judy Gartaganis, Sandra Stewart, John Sharpe, Brad Bowyer, Delores Hedley, Lois Matton, Cynthia Clark, Paulette McWilliam

- 1) 1st item on Agenda was to welcome Cynthia Clark to the meeting**
- 2) Call to order and approval of the agenda** – Delores approved and Paulette seconded
- 3) Approval of the Minutes of January 29th** –
Judy pointed out some corrections to the minutes which have since been updated. Some discussion about when motions by email should be included, which will now be added to the minutes of the meeting that takes place after the motions.
- 4) President - John Sharpe**
No new items from President
- 5) Treasurer - Ed Lamb**
 - a) Discussion of financials
 - b) March 31st year end and Ed will bring to Peter Weir for auditing. Judy was curious as to the way the 299er dollars were presented. Ed will move the money to income.
 - c) Also some discussion as to whether or not there's been a request for GNT and NAP money. Judy will mention to them, as they may not have been aware they are eligible to collect some money from the unit.
 - d) The topic arose as to how we can add to bridge in our Unit. There will be follow up as to suggestions from Board are received and discussed
 - e) Ed moved the Treasurer's report be accepted, John moved and Judy seconded, carried
 - f) Next item was financial statements be accepted as per changes suggested by Judy, John moved and Brad seconded, carried
 - g) Last item was discussion about payment for moving the trailer for 2024 Lethbridge tournament, and due to gas prices going up 10 cent a liter. Judy made a motion that we pay an additional \$100 for this trip due to current gas prices, it was seconded by John, carried

6) Tournament Chairman –Lois Matton

- a) May 3 – 5th sectional will need two tournament directors due to the number of tables expected
- b) Saturday afternoon guest speaker is Jim Berglund
- c) Discussion regarding a table for items such as books for sale, partnerships, and convention cards
- d) Hospitality discussion – free coffee each morning was agreed to. The candy bowls are very expensive but we will continue for this tournament. Some discussion about putting items on the table, such as pens, pencils, mints.
- e) Delores will bring the defibrillator to the hotel, and someone who is playing Monday will return to the Bridge Centre.
- f) Reminder that September Sectional is September 20th – 22nd

7) Special Events – Brad Bowyer

- a) Rookie master went well. Lost 506 dollars; not much feedback
- b) Delores commented that it was the smoothest run rookie master ever and kudos to Lois's granddaughter Peyton Matton who did an amazing job
- c) AGM is booked for June 2nd at the Bridge Centre. Brian & Joy will be the directors
- d) Discussion of the Agenda and order of events for the AGM. Lunch at 11:15, meeting at noon, game to follow. 30 people is the quorum for the AGM
- e) Discussion about what needs to be on the tables. One copy of agenda and minutes with two copies of financials per table. By-laws state we need to mail agenda to members who do not have email, Judy will take care of that.
- f) Discussion about requirements for awards for Mini-McKenney. John has certificates which will be sufficient for this year's awards

8) Future Masters – Sandra Stewart

- a) Nothing new to report; touched on speakers corner for sectional already
- b) Roger Bolton will be replacement

9) Secretary – Paulette McWilliam

- a) No update

10) Membership – Judy Gartaganis

- a) Discussion of membership report for fiscal year April 1st to March 31st. Graph will be included in the Kibitzer
- b) ACBL has decided to do away with life member category, all life members will pay for membership as per other ACBL members.
- c) Discussion about getting items added to the Kibitzer as it will go out shortly

- d) Discussion about the ACBL's new revenue sharing plan, called the 5-5-5 plan which starts April 1st, 2024. The main categories are new members, retention contacts and retention outcomes. The changes are somewhat untenable.
- e) Judy has been contacting lapsed members and Delores has been contacting lapsed guest members
- f) The only active part of this new 5-5-5 plan will be covered by Membership and PR positions
- g) If someone is a guest member which is good for 120 days, joining the ACBL costs \$29 vs \$59. So guest memberships should be promoted to new members for a \$30 saving a year

11) Public Relations – Delores Hedley

- a) We cannot store the excess tables at the Bridge Center due to fire safety regulations.
- b) Thanks to Delores for finding our new board members

NEXT MEETING –

Wednesday, June 5th
 3:30 pm
 Bridge Centre

Delores moved meeting be adjourned – seconded by Paulette

Motions via email since last unit meeting

2024	Mar 12 (via Email)	John Sharpe moved that the unit pay for cream, sugar, name tags and other incidentals during the Supervised Bid & Play and it was seconded by Paulette McWilliam
2024	March 21 (Via Email)	Judy Gartaganis moved and Delores Hedley seconded that we proceed with paying 20.99USD a year to maintain ownership of the domain name calgarybridge.com
2024	April 15 (Via Email)	Delores Hedley moved and Ed Lamb seconded that Cynthia Clark be welcomed to the vacant position of Vice President
2024	April 15 (via Email)	Delores Hedley moved and Ed Lamb seconded that Roger Bolton be welcomed to the vacant position of Tournament Assistant