

MINUTES

Calgary Duplicate Bridge Association

ACBL Unit 390 - Board Meeting June 5th, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 3:26 p.m. by John Sharpe. Present: 08

Present: Ed Lamb, Judy Gartaganis, Roger Bolton, John Sharpe, Brad Bowyer, Delores Hedley, Lois Matton, Cynthia Clark,

- 1) **Call to order and approval of the agenda** - Delores moved and Lois seconded.
- 2) **Approval of the Minutes of April 17th** - Cynthia moved and Judy seconded
- 3) **President - John Sharpe**
 - a) Following the AGM we need to elect the President, Secretary and Treasurer.
 - b) John proposed that Cynthia be made the new President. Delores seconded and motion was carried.
 - c) John proposed that Paulette be made Secretary and motion was passed.
 - d) John proposed that Ed be made Treasurer and motion was passed.
 - e) John then handed the meeting over to the new President – Cynthia

Cynthia thanked everyone for welcoming her to the board. She gave a brief report on the success of the AGM and thanked Brad for a great job. Thank you Brad.

There were also a few items brought to her attention:

1. Development of an advertising program for bridge
2. Have a call for nominations to the board prior to the AGM
3. The donation to Bridge Centre was very well received.

John mentioned that Keith Falkenberg came to him after the AGM and said the gift was totally unexpected and he felt it would be used to make improvements around the Bridge Centre. Cynthia commented she might suggest to the CBC when something is done, it might go up on screens that this was done thanks to the money donated by the unit.

- 4) **Treasurer - Ed Lamb**
 - a) Discussion of financials.

- b) Cash-wise we are still flush. We made \$1,000 on the trailer rental and \$1,000 on the 1st Sectional.
- c) Cynthia asked for a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Judy moved and Delores seconded, carried
- d) Ed reported that Brian Johns commented that the Unit should charge the bridge club owner approx. \$4 Cdn for unit games, since that is the per table fee that must be paid to ADBL. Delores stated that the Unit does not pay anything to the ACBL for Unit games run by clubs; perhaps we do pay table fees for STAC games. Lois mentioned that she handles applying for sanctions for unit games and she assumes the club owners are billed directly by the ACBL as she puts the club owners name on the unit game sanction requests.

5) Tournament Chairman – Lois Matton

- a) Getting ready for the September Sectional.
- b) Should we continue the pens as prizes and it was agreed to continue.
- c) Comments were received that the stanchions were difficult to see at the last tournament, we will look at venue for next tournament with that in mind.
- d) Microphone was not working well and sound was not great. More likely the issue is the speakers or amplifier, not the microphone. Brad agreed to look into the issue.
- e) Michael Farebrother suggested that a timer be used at the sectionals. Barbara Webster suggested that we use a timer she uses at the Glencoe (cost is 20 British pounds). We decided to put that on hold, and try positioning the directors table in a different location in the playing room.
- f) Free coffee will continue for next sectional.
- g) Should we have another speaker for the Saturday afternoon session break.
- h) Sunday 299ers – we are encouraging them to play in the B/C team game; we are not going to run a separate 29er pairs game.
- i) Strats within the sections may need to be adjusted, Lois will look into that.
- j) Grab and Go lunch was a success and we will do that again.

6) Special Events – Brad Bowyer

- a) Final numbers for AGM not completed as yet.
- b) Brian and Joy Saville insisted on donating their time for directing at the AGM for which Brad thanked them.

7) Future Masters – Roger Bolton

- a) Fall 299er tournament - October 26th is the proposed date. Game times 10 and 3. Roger will check whether Bridge Centre is available.
- b) Discussion of how to ensure that we include all directors in events we schedule

8) Secretary – Paulette McWilliam

- a) Absent

9) Membership – Judy Gartaganis

- a) May was very quiet, net tally of membership was minus 2.
- b) 5/5/5 report is by quarter, 2nd quarter is April 1st to June 30th. Judy reviewed the program; the only area over which we have any control is contact activity. Judy and Delores have been contacting people, so that section is in good shape.
- c) Judy will post pictures of the new Board members.
- d) What to do with the certificates for members who won awards. Delores will take them to distribute in person.

10) Public Relations – Delores Hedley

- a) Sent \$490 to CBC for May and \$339 for April for the Bid and Play tables. Keith Falkenberg asked that we charge \$4 for the Bid and Play for the Fall sessions. Delores has no issue with this request.

NEXT MEETING -

Wednesday – September 11th

3:30 pm

Bridge Centre

Roger moved meeting be adjourned – seconded by Brad

Motions via email since last unit meeting

2024	May 22 (special meeting held)	Paulette moved that the Unit donate \$5,000 to the Bridge Centre and Lois seconded. Carried.
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