

# Minutes

Calgary Duplicate Bridge Association  
ACBL Unit 390 - Annual General Meeting  
June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 12:00 noon.  
Calgary Bridge Centre

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## 1) Welcome and Introduction:

President Cynthia Clark called the meeting to order at 12.00 p.m. She welcomed the attendees, introduced the members of the 2024 - 2025 Board and thanked them for their continuous support.

## 2) Confirmation of Quorum: 60+ attendees

## 3) Approval of Agenda:

Moved by Clarende Duby seconded by Charlene Delcourt that the agenda be approved. Carried.

## 4) Approval of the Minutes from the 2024 AGM:

Moved by Abdul Fakh, seconded by Stephanie Martinez that the minutes of the 2024 AGM be approved. Carried

## 5) President's Report:

Cynthia Clark presented the President's Report for the past year. Moved by Roxanne Rees, seconded by Corliss Ward that the President's Report be accepted. Carried. The report is appended to these minutes.

## 6) Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Ed Lamb presented the audited Financial Statement for the fiscal year April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025.

Question was raised by David Johnson as to whether the Unit has considered bringing back a 4th Sectional tournament.

Question was asked of the Treasurer by Gordon Campbell regarding the equipment rental and a list of the equipment that we do rent out. A list of physical assets has been provided to Gordon

Approval of Treasurer's Report

Moved by Clarende Duby, seconded by Gordon Campbell that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. Carried. The report is appended to these minutes.

7) Appointment of Auditor for 2025 -2026:

Peter Weir has been appointed as Auditor for ACBL Unit 390.

8) Election of Directors:

Lois Matton will be stepping down, President Cynthia Clark thanked her for her excellent service.

President Cynthia Clark explained that in accordance with Unit 390 bylaws, we are allowed to have 7 - 12 directors on the Board of ACBL Unit 390.

Five directors are continuing into the second year of their terms of office:

John Sharpe, Ed Lamb, Delores Hedley, Brad Bowyer, and Judith Gartaganis

The remaining three directors have agreed to stand for re-election: Cynthia Clark, Roger Bolton, and Paulette McWilliam.

Terry Nazar has agreed to stand for election to the Unit 390 board

The President called for nominations from the floor. There were no further nominations.

Moved by Pam Wallace, seconded by David Stephure that nominations be closed. Carried

Motion was requested to accept nominations for the board. There were no objections and the four candidates were declared elected.

9) Presentation of 2024 Ace of Clubs, 2024 Ace of Virtual Clubs and 2024 Mini-McKenney Awards:

Judith Gartaganis presented certificates to the winners of the 2024 Ace of Clubs race, 2024 Ace of Virtual Clubs race and 2024 Mini-McKenney race. The list of winners are appended to these minutes.

Ike Landon Virtual trophy winner for most masterpoints in any category was Mike DAguiar. Congratulations Mike

10) Questions from the floor:

Keith Falkenberg raised a question related to the published minutes of a District 18 board meeting in which it was stated that neither Edmonton or Calgary was interested in hosting a 0-750 NLM regional tournament. Keith was curious as to the source of this statement. Cynthia explained that our unit really doesn't have any say in District events. Hosting such a tournament to run concurrently with a Unit 390 sectional would be a no-win proposition for the Unit. However, this is the present model used in the District (for example, Lethbridge).

Michael Farebrother raised a question as to how Banff & Canmore were doing in club events and what support the Unit provides to these clubs. Brad Bowyer commented as he plays there during the winter and reported on his experiences. Judith Gartaganis clarified that the Canmore games are not ACBL sanctioned games. The Banff Club which is sanctioned, benefits primarily from the use of the Unit 390 website and access to the 390 Notices service.

Michael Farebrother personally thanked Lois Matton for her very helpful and efficient directorship.

Gordon Campbell inquired about long-term location rental for future Sectionals. Lois responded that the next two sectionals (August 2025 and January 2026) are booked at the DoubleTree hotel and we are hoping to book for 2026-2027. When the DoubleTree renovates the room we currently book, the prices will increase drastically, perhaps

beyond our budget. This matter is an ongoing issue and the board is open to suggestions and possible options.

11) Termination of Meeting:

Moved by Chuck Cherry, seconded by Liz Sprague that the 2025 AGM be terminated. Carried.

## Unit 390 President's Annual Report 2025

I am pleased to report that the Membership of Unit 390 increased from 934 to 946 over the period from April 1<sup>st</sup> 2024 to March 31<sup>st</sup> 2025. According to the Spring 2025 ACBL National Board Report, overall membership decreased from 130,600 to 124,076 year to year. However, the new and guest member numbers are trending up significantly with an increase in new memberships of approximately 25% over last year. This new increase is great news and is a result of the ACBL's efforts with the assistance of the Units to promote interest and involvement in the game of bridge.

Unit 390 has contributed to this significant growth of new participants thanks to Delores Hedley's concept and collaboration with Karen Mitchell to start up the Supervised Bid and Play Program. Along with her crew of 18 volunteers who are mentioned in the May Kibitzer, (Dan Dover, Michele Hyndman, Ted Lobley, Gerry Marchant, Dave Marchant, Agnes Maze, Jan McLeod, Susan McMahan, Paulette McWilliam, Jim Murphy, Freda Nychkalo, John Prance, Dave Ross, Corliss Ward, Barbara Webster, Richard Weinberger, and Garth Wiggins), Delores has done an exceptional job in getting new players involved in bridge. Delores's program offers a no-pressure learn and play experience where discussion and questions are encouraged. This is great for beginners who might otherwise feel overwhelmed with the rules, conventions and strategies of the game. Bid and Play has been a win/win situation. The program has increased players in the Sectionals and at the Club games and generated \$6931 for the Calgary Bridge Centre. Many thanks to Delores for initiating and running this program.

For the year ending March 31, 2025, Sectional Tournaments had an attendance of 236 tables in April of 2024, 198 in the Fall of 2024 and 271.5 in January of 2025 for a total of 705.5 tables, up from the 692 in the previous period. The organization of these tournaments is due to the efficiency and hard work of Lois Matton and her volunteers who have given many hours making these events a success. Thank you Lois.

There was one 299er Sectional last year in October of 2024 with 34 tables, up from 28 tables in May and 27 tables in October of 2023. Of note was the recent May 299er Tournament which generated 42.5 tables. This is a 43% increase over the average table count for the past 3 tournaments. Expansion of 299er Sectionals to accommodate more than 25 tables, using both upstairs and downstairs of this building, is planned for 2025-2026. Thanks to Roger Bolton for his work in organizing, upgrading and running these events.

Unit 390 is part of District 18, known as WASUMI, Wyoming, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Utah, Montana and Idaho. Dan Dover of Calgary is the newly elected President of District 18, formerly the Treasurer and Alberta representative to the District. We look forward to working with Dan and congratulate him on his new position.

At this time I would like to acknowledge every member of the Board and the many unseen volunteers that support this Unit, past and present. It would be impossible to name them all. They have contributed many hours of their time to work with and assist you, the Unit members. I know many of you have donated time and energy to Unit 390, the Calgary Bridge Centre and the bridge community. However I would like to bring awareness to everyone, that each time you attend a Tournament with a room set up to play, read the Kibitzer, visit the Unit 390 website, attend a Special Event, see a new player with a mentor and many other services we may take for granted, know that it all happens because a volunteer generously gives their time. Thank you all.

This concludes the report.

**CALGARY DUPLICATE BRIDGE ASSOCIATION UNIT 390**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**

**MARCH 31, 2025**

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To the Members of the Calgary Duplicate Bridge Association, ACBL Unit 390

At the request of the Board of Directors of the Calgary Duplicate Bridge Association (the "Unit"), I have reviewed the Unit's Statement of Financial Position as at March 31, 2025 and the Statement of Operations and Net Assets for the year then ended.

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Board of Directors. My responsibility is to ensure that the financial statements are presented in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles for non-profit organizations and are not materially misstated. To that end, I:

1. Reviewed a selection of bank statements and related bank reconciliations;
2. Reviewed a selection of revenue items and agreed the related receipts to bank statements;
3. Reviewed a selection of other disbursements for supporting documentation and approvals.

Based on these procedures I believe that, with the exception of the policy of not capitalizing and amortizing certain fixed assets, these financial statements are fairly stated in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles for non-profit organizations.

Peter Weir, CPA, CA



Calgary, Alberta

April 28, 2025

**CALGARY DUPLICATE BRIDGE ASSOCIATION UNIT 390**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT MARCH 31**

	2025	2024
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Cash	\$ 13,306	\$ 15,534
Term deposits	34,822	32,896
Prepaid expenses	<u>876</u>	<u>818</u>
	<b>\$ 49,004</b>	<b>\$ 49,248</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Funds held in trust	\$ -	\$ 3,669
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		
Members' equity	49,004	45,579
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 49,004</b>	<b>\$ 49,248</b>

Approved by: Cynthia Clark (Director)

Approved by: A. McWalter (Director)

**CALGARY DUPLICATE BRIDGE ASSOCIATION UNIT 390**

**STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND NET ASSETS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31**

	2025	2024
<b>REVENUE</b>		
Sectionals	\$ 3,900	\$ 1,543
ACBL rebates	6,709	5,302
Equipment rental	3,987	-
Donations received	-	200
Interest income	<u>1,540</u>	<u>1,304</u>
	16,136	8,349
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Special events—Rookie Master	291	507
Meetings and hospitality	309	718
Office and general	1,132	1,191
Travel subsidies	1,400	-
Donation to CCBL	5,000	-
Donation to District 18	1,000	500
Supervised Bid and Play	1,073	-
New members and mentoring	289	443
Supplies for tournaments	1,678	538
Trailer repairs	-	401
Free plays	200	20
Website	<u>339</u>	<u>367</u>
	12,711	4,685
<b>Excess (shortfall) of revenues over expenses</b>	<b>3,425</b>	<b>3,664</b>
<b>NET ASSETS - Beginning of the year</b>	<b>45,579</b>	<b>41,915</b>
<b>NET ASSETS - End of the year</b>	<b>\$ 49,004</b>	<b>\$ 45,579</b>

## ***2024 Ace of Clubs Races***

### **Awarded for points won playing at face-to-face clubs**

<b>0 to 5</b>	Cheryl Whittaker	Calgary AB
<b>5 to 20</b>	Anka Bonyai	Calgary AB
<b>20 to 50</b>	Quentin Krogstad	Calgary AB
<b>50 to 100</b>	Dan Dover	Calgary AB
<b>100 to 200</b>	Sandy Shuler	Calgary AB
<b>200 to 300</b>	Inge French	Okotoks AB
<b>300 to 500</b>	Dave Brett	Calgary AB
<b>500 to 1000</b>	Richard Weinberger	Calgary AB
<b>1000 to 1500</b>	Dennis Ooms	Calgary AB
<b>1500 to 2500</b>	Mike D Aguiar	Calgary AB
<b>2500 to 3500</b>	Rod Hilderman	Calgary AB
<b>3500 to 5000</b>	Jadwiga Polujan	Calgary AB
<b>5000 to 7500</b>	Jim Berglund	Calgary AB
<b>7500 to 10,000</b>	Daniel Bertrand	Calgary AB
<b>Over 10,000</b>	Steven Lawrence	Calgary AB

## ***2024 Ace of Virtual Clubs Races***

### **Awarded for points won playing online in ACBL virtual clubs**

<b>0 to 5 (tie)</b>	Rodger Conner	Canmore AB
	Lori Conner	Canmore AB
<b>5 to 20</b>	Kerri Gallup	Longview AB
<b>20 to 50</b>	Joyce Gibson	Calgary AB
<b>50 to 100</b>	Celia Gaudet	Calgary AB
<b>100 to 200</b>	Christine Stephure	Calgary AB
<b>200 to 300</b>	Ray Nance	Calgary AB
<b>300 to 500</b>	Philip Coppard	Calgary AB
<b>500 to 1000</b>	Morris Streich	Calgary AB
<b>1000 to 1500</b>	Martine Parent	Calgary AB
<b>1500 to 2500</b>	Andy McKaig	Calgary AB
<b>2500 to 3500</b>	Helen Dillen	Calgary AB
<b>3500 to 5000</b>	Margaret Nielsen	Calgary AB
<b>5000 to 7500</b>	Allan Simon	Calgary AB
<b>7500 to 10,000</b>	Daniel Bertrand	Calgary AB
<b>Over 10,000</b>	Gerry Marshall	Calgary AB

### ***2024 Mini-McKenney Races***

**Awarded for total points won playing in all ACBL events**

<b>0 to 5</b>	Cheryl Whittaker	Calgary AB
<b>5 to 20</b>	Anka Bonyai	Calgary AB
<b>20 to 50</b>	Quentin Krogstad	Calgary AB
<b>50 to 100</b>	Dan Dover	Calgary AB
<b>100 to 200</b>	Sherry Goldenberg	Calgary AB
<b>200 to 300</b>	Ray Nance	Calgary AB
<b>300 to 500</b>	David Stephure	Calgary AB
<b>500 to 1000</b>	Richard Weinberger	Calgary AB
<b>1000 to 1500</b>	Barry Crozier	Calgary AB
<b>1500 to 2500</b>	Mike D Aguiar	Calgary AB
<b>2500 to 3500</b>	Grant Wharry	Calgary AB
<b>3500 to 5000</b>	Yi Peng (Mark) Mai	Calgary AB
<b>5000 to 7500</b>	Janet Galbraith	Calgary AB
<b>7500 to 10,000</b>	Daniel Bertrand	Calgary AB
<b>Over 10,000</b>	Gerry Marshall	Calgary AB

### ***2024 Ike Landon Trophy Recipient***

**Goes to the Unit 390 player who wins the most points for the calendar year**

The winner for 2024 was Mike D Aguiar.