

MINUTES

Calgary Duplicate Bridge Association ACBL Unit 390 - Board Meeting June 4th, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 3:20 pm by Cynthia Clark.

Present: 08

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

Absent: Terry Nazar

- 1) **Call to order and approval of the agenda** – proposed by Brad seconded by Paulette and all approved.
- 2) **Approval of the Minutes from February 26th, 2025** – proposed by Delores seconded by Brad and all approved.
- 3) **President - Cynthia Clark**
Nothing new since the AGM President's Report
- 4) **Past President - John Sharpe**
Nothing to report
- 5) **Treasurer - Ed Lamb**
 - a) Ed sent out Treasurer's Report before the meeting no issues
 - b) Judy had some comments re: Cash balance Oct 29th. Ed clarified.
 - c) Brad had a question relating to the \$700 receivable, Ed explained it is interest accrued
 - d) Ed had someone from the bridge community come to him specifically to say they would be more than happy to help the unit board in any capacity needed. Judy mentioned she also had someone say the same.
 - e) There was discussion regarding the trailer and equipment not being insured, and the cash balance we currently have could be viewed as "insurance" should anything happen with the trailer.

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report – proposed by Judy, seconded by Roger – all approved

6) Tournament Chair – new position for Terry Nazar (Absent)

- a) Should we have 4 sectionals instead of 3, as posed by Dave Johnson at AGM. Discussion followed and it was determined not to have a 4th for these reasons:
 - Venue costs are prohibitive
 - Fall is the only available timeline and it's too close to January Sectional
 - We might be better served to focus on the 299er specific tournaments (the majority of our membership is in this grouping). A third event could possibly be held at the Bridge Centre.
- b) Discussion that perhaps a 1day tournament in Banff would be viable.
- c) Cynthia asked about the free play process. Judy prints and tracks the coupons which are mostly used in the new member packages. Judy also provided free coupons to Lois to distribute as needed. There is a policy relating to free plays on the Unit website.

7) Future Masters – Roger Bolton

- a) Roger can't finalize the May 299er financials as he's waiting for 1 invoice, but the result will be close to \$800 profit
- b) For the October 25th tournament, cost will be higher due to renting both up and downstairs of the Bridge Center. Brian Johns is directing upstairs, Dan Dover will direct downstairs and Clarende will be guest speaker.
- c) Some discussion as to whether it will be a separate game downstairs in October. It will be decided by the directors as to how the games will be run.

8) Special Events – Brad Bowyer

Nothing new to report

- a) Cynthia congratulated Brad on excellent job with the AGM
- b) Judy asked about directors' fee for AGM
- c) Judy had some questions regarding financials

9) Secretary – Paulette McWilliam

- a) Cynthia wanted to confirm that the requests from Alberta government were followed up. Paulette confirmed she submits all required documents by July 31st.

10) Membership – Judy Gartaganis

- a) Membership report - 13 new members for 2 months, April & May
- b) Judy mentioned we should have a good quarter based on our performance in April, May & June
- c) Some discussion about where new members are coming from.
- d) Brad had a question relating to the term “snow bird” on the Membership Report. Judy explained that rather than marking members who winter in warmer climates as having permanently transferred out, she records them as "snow birds" - temporarily out of the Unit.

11) Public Relations – Delores Hedley

Nothing new except discussion regarding the financial contribution Bid'n'Play has made to the Bridge Centre

12) Old Business

Nothing new

13) New Business

- a) Insurance on the equipment. There is a policy on the website governing the rental and hauling of the equipment. The vehicle hauling the trailer is what is insured. The trailer and equipment itself are valuable to the Unit, but they are not insured.
- b) Payment of the local Tournament directors was discussed, and the following motion was presented by Roger:

Moved that the local tournament director that runs a Unit 390 sponsored event, or any local club director who is director in charge of a Unit 390 sponsored event be paid \$200 per session and the assistant director be paid \$150 effective immediately.

The motion was seconded by Paulette and carried.

- c) Cynthia will get the addresses of AGM game winners from Judy so she can provide congratulatory letters from the President.
- d) Some discussion about the services provided by the unit for Banff and Canmore.
- e) The issue raised by Keith Falkenberg regarding the 0-750 NLM regional was discussed. It will not work financially to run it concurrently with one of our Sectionals.
- f) Discussion about the number of regionals District 18 will expect Calgary to host. We should try to get some clarification as to expectations.

Motions approved via email since last meeting

2025	March 23 (Via Email)	<p>Judy Gartaganis made the following proposal regarding the virtual trophies.</p> <p>All voted in favour, motion was passed via emails received 23/24th of March 2025</p> <p>Leave these ones as they are:</p> <p>Jack Murphy Memorial Award - bestowed on an ad hoc basis as determined by Unit 390 and Murphy family</p> <p>Ike Landon Memorial Trophy - annually, to Unit 390 overall masterpoint winner</p> <p>Edna Lougheed Memorial Trophy - annually to winners of A/X Pairs at Unit 390 Fall sectional (could be non-Unit 390 member)</p> <p>Ann Waldie Memorial Trophy - annually to winners of A/X Swiss Teams at Unit 390 Spring sectional (could be non-Unit 390 member)</p>
		<p>Change:</p> <p>Hattie Joffe Memorial Award - to the Unit 390 member winning the most masterpoints at the annual Alberta Summer regional (would now go to a Unit 390 member)</p> <p>John Davison Memorial Swiss Teams Trophy - to the winners of the B/C Swiss Teams at the Unit 390 Spring sectional</p>

		<p>(would now be awarded at a Unit 390 event and acknowledges B/C players)</p> <p>Alberta Sectionals Race - rename to Unit 390 Sectionals Masterpoint Race awarded to the Unit 390 member winning the most masterpoints at Unit 390 sectionals (annually in calendar year) (would now go to a Unit 390 member for Unit 390 events)</p> <p>President's Award - rename to Unit 390 299er Sectionals Masterpoint Race awarded to the Unit 390 member winning the most masterpoints in 299er events at Unit 390 sectionals (annually in calendar year, including 299er sectionals) (would now be awarded annually as opposed to at each sectional)</p>
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NEXT MEETING -

Wednesday – September 17th, 2025

1:15 pm

Bridge Centre – lower Level

Paulette moved meeting be adjourned – seconded by Ed – carried.