

REGINA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB
Minutes of Board Meeting held at the Club April 15, 2023

Present: Leslie Mortin, Donna Barber, Sandy Bingaman, Lorna Bingaman, Gaylene Spence, Ilsa Krukoff, Paul Omilon.

Leslie Mortin called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

1. Adoption of the agenda with additions: moved by Ilsa, seconded by Sandy. **Carried.**

2. Approval of February 19, 2022 minutes: moved by Gaylene, seconded by Paul. **Carried.**

3. President's Report: Leslie discussed the celebration of life for June Lind held at the club on March 18, which attracted 52 people and resulted in a significant donation to the club. She also noted that Bob Nell will not be available to do a strategic planning session in the spring and asked for other suggestions for someone to do this.

4. Financial Report

Lorna commented on the February financial report which had been previously circulated by e-mail, noting that attendance remains strong and expenses were on budget. She moved acceptance of her report, seconded by Donna. **Carried.**

5. Administration of Donations

Leslie showed the sign for the Arnie and June Lind Learning Centre which will be displayed to acknowledge the \$5500 donation from Howard and Alicia Lind, which will be officially unveiled at an upcoming Thursday night lesson. Gaylene suggested that the funds plus another \$200 from the entire Lind family minus \$100 for the cost of the sign be invested in a financial instrument (\$5600), the proceeds from which will be used in future education activities. Lorna will set up a record of these expenditures which will be used to prepare an annual report for the Linds. Moved by Gaylene, seconded by Paul. **Carried.**

6. Rent for 2023

Leslie reported that she has a scheduled meeting with our landlord to discuss the renewal of our lease which expires May 31, 2023. Rent is currently \$3850/month. There was discussion about how much more we will be able to pay.

7. Repairing chairs

Sandy reported that we currently have 82 chairs, 21 of which are broken and are taking up room in our storage closet. After discussion, it was decided that 70 chairs are enough for our needs, so the worse 12 should be discarded. We will look for someone to transport all the broken chairs to a welder and let that person decide which are the best ones to repair and throw out the rest.

8. Upcoming 299ers tournament

Sandy noted that Jan Carter has plans in place for this event to be held On June 10-11 at the club.

9. 2023-4 Memberships

Sandy noted that Angela Duzcek is preparing to start selling 2023-4 memberships beginning May 8, after the regional tournament, and asked if the board wanted to continue with the present cost of \$25. After discussion, Gaylene moved and Sandy seconded that the annual membership be raised to \$30. **Carried.**

10. Covid protocols

Leslie noted that the provincial government has removed all restrictions and the ACBL will be doing this at their tournaments starting May 15. After discussion it was decided that the club should follow the ACBL, although urging members to use precautions and especially to stay home if they are unwell. Moved by Paul, seconded by Gaylene. **Carried.**

11. Nominating Committee

Leslie asked which of the current board members wished to resign. Paul indicated his wish to step down, and Donna and Ilsa said they would be glad to do likewise if there was someone to replace them. Leslie thanked Paul for his contributions and suggested that Muriel Drew be appointed to find club members who would agree to be nominated. Board members made suggestions about people who might be willing to come on the board.

12. Annual General Meeting

Leslie reported that this will be held on the evening of June 27 with a free game to follow.

13. Committee Reports

13.1 Promotions and Public Relations – no report

13.2 Facilities management

Sandy reported she thinks she has found someone to refill the Coke machine.

13.3 Game Management – no report

13.4 Education

Gaylene had 17 students finish her follow-up course recently and started another beginners course because of demand, which will be followed by a condensed follow-up course in three sessions. She noted that most of these people found out about her lessons from the club website and is working with Jason to develop a way for people to register for lessons on line.

13.5 Community Bridge

Donna reported that she has scheduled games for April 28 and May 27.

14. Club Management: no report

15. Club manager's stipend

Ilsa moved and Donna seconded that we pay the club manager the regular stipend of \$2400 at the end of May. **Carried.**

16. Next meeting

Saturday, May 20, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

Meeting moved adjourned by Gaylene at 11:45.