

REGINA (DUPLICATE) BRIDGE CLUB

Minutes of Board Meeting held at the Club Saturday February 17 2018

Present: Joan Quinlan, Leslie Morton, Ken Gabora, Gaylene Spence, Larry Lazurko, Lyle Spencer, Lance Connell, Nancy Welta, Sandy Bingaman

Regrets: Marilyn Drever, Ilsa Krukoff, Angela Duczek

Joan Quinlan called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

1.0 Adoption of the Agenda

Leslie Morton moved that Item 8.5 be moved to be included with New Business 6.1

Moved by Lyle Spencer seconded by Gaylene Spence that the agenda be adopted as amended.

Carried

2.0 Adoption of the Minutes of January 20

Motion by Nancy Welta seconded by Larry Lazurko to adopt the minutes of January 20 as circulated.

Carried

3.0 President's Report:

Joan Quinlan commented on three items:

- a) She thanked the board members and volunteers for all the activity at the club which is creating a very positive atmosphere.
- b) Due to problems with the cleaners, they have been replaced by a new group who will clean the club Friday mornings until we move.
- c) She has agreed to a request from contact person Cheryl Lynn Zimmer that her group rent the club for a cribbage tournament on Saturday, April 14, for \$100 for the day.

4.0 Ken Gabora moved that his previously circulated financial statements be adopted. This motion was seconded by Leslie Morton. Carried

5.0 Old Business

1. Psyche policy

Lance Connell talked about his previously circulated psyche policy and the feedback he has received on it. Various Board members made suggestions about it.

Ken Gabora said that the wording needed tightening with words like "can" becoming "should". Nancy suggested that a copy of the completed policy should be given to every member when they pay their membership in the spring and that a copy should be added to the Directors' Handbook. Joan suggested an in-service meeting with the club directors and experienced people such as Doug Rankin and Gary Johannsson.

Lance agreed to work on the policy as more feedback is received so the matter was tabled.

2. Handbook

Nancy Welta reported that she had received mostly positive feedback from the draft of the handbook circulated to directors. She suggested that finalizing the handbook could wait until the psyche policy was completed so it could be included. Tabled.

6.0 New Business

Relocation Committee Request for Authorization to Expend Funds

Lyle Spencer presented an itemized estimate of \$25,000 for various items for our new location. He and Leslie Morton explained that they thought the various amounts were reasonable but that actual amounts will differ somewhat from them. Many of these items will be purchased within the next few weeks, so Ken Gabora stated that he will move necessary funds from savings or maturing GICs into the current account. If the suggested \$25,000 amount is needs to be exceeded, The Relocation Committee will return to the Board with an explanation and a request for additional funds. Lyle Spencer moved and Gaylene Spence seconded that the Board agrees to the proposed budget for relocation and will make funds available as needed. Carried.

Leslie Morton discussed the size, cost, and wording of signs for the exterior of the new building. Lyle Spencer moved and Nancy Welta seconded that for purposes of advertising, promotion and publicity (which includes these new signs), the name used will be Regina Bridge Club (omitting the word Duplicate). Carried.

7.0 No item listed on agenda

8.0 Committee Reports

8.1 Promotion and Public Relations—no report

8.2 Facilities Maintenance—new cleaner mentioned in President's report

8.3 Game Management

Nancy Welta reported that she has recruited four people for sure to take the directors' training course and possibly three others.

8.4 Education Committee

Gaylene reported that Joyce's Friday night lessons on defence were very successful. She also presented an outline for the Committee's education offerings in the next year, including a September Open House, three sessions of Level I lessons, two of Level II, and two sessions of lessons on new topics by Joyce. Lyle Spencer expressed appreciation of all the efforts of the Education Committee and their positive effect on the Club.

9.0 Club Management – no report

10.0 Tournament Chair—no report

11.0 Date of Next Meeting—March 17, 2018 at **9:00 a.m.**

12.0 General Discussion

Joan Quinlan reported that as of March 1, 2018, the ACBL will insist that tournament players have an ACBL membership. People wondered how this will affect participation, especially in the 299ers events.

Joan Quinlan suggested a meeting for the club membership to discuss our new location and moving plans. Various dates and times were discussed with a final decision for 11:00 a.m. on March 17 (the reason for the early start time for the regular board meeting on that date), to be followed by a free pizza lunch and then the regularly scheduled “8 is Enough” game at 1:00 p.m.

Various members suggested the need to have a complete and up-to-date e-mail list of our membership, but wondered how to do this without violating privacy rules.

Gaylene Spence reported that a recent graduate from her lessons had tried to find a mentor to play with on Wednesday night and had discovered that there is no clear process for this. She suggested and others agreed that we need one.

Ken Gabora announced that since he no longer plays bridge, he has decided not to renew either his club or ACBL memberships and thus should probably not continue to be a Board member. He suggested that he would be willing to serve as the Club’s accountant and prepare the financial statements as he does now. Joan Quinlan and others thanked him for all his work, and she said she would take steps to find someone to sit on the Board as Treasurer.

Gaylene Spence moved that the meeting be adjourned.