

## **REGINA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB**

Minutes of Board Meeting held at the Club January 7, 2017

**Present:** Leslie Mortin, Angela Duczek, Ken Gabora, Nancy Welta, Robert Stringer, Lance Connell, Gaylene Spence, Sandy Bingaman, Pat Carlson, Ilsa Krukoff

**Regrets:** Joan Quinlan, , Marilyn Drever

**Guests:** Barb Miller, Rick Gaucher

Leslie Mortin called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

### **1. Adoption of the Agenda**

**Add 7.1** Proposal from Unit representatives **7.2** STaC

**Motion** by Gaylene Spence, seconded by Nancy Welta to adopt the agenda as amended. **Carried**

### **2. Adoption of the Minutes of November 19th, 2016**

**Amend 8.3** – Add “and Pamela Keim for initiating the new format”

**Motion** by Gaylene Spence, seconded by Lance Connell, to adopt the minutes of Nov. 19th, 2016, as amended. **Carried.**

### **3. Business Arising from the Minutes of Oct 15th, 2016**

#### **3.1 Name tags – TABLED**

#### **3.2 Rookie of the Year Qualifications**

- Gaylene Spence pointed out that the individual receiving Rookie of the Year should be told in advance, so that they would be more likely to attend Trophy Night.

- Gaylene Spence and Nancy Welta agreed to work to give a clear definition of “rookie” for the purpose of this award. Also, a list of eligible players should be provided.

#### **3.3 Contact committee – TABLED**

#### **3.4 Gift certificate –**

Ilsa Krukoff said that she had presented a gift certificate for The Keg to Morgan Wadsworth on behalf of the Club for the work he did on our new website. She said that Morgan had been most appreciative of this recognition. Ilsa asked that the motion made in November regarding this gift certificate be revisited to reflect the amount of the gift certificate.

**Motion** by Nancy Welta, seconded by Sandy Bingaman, that the Board approve the gift certificate in the amount of \$125.00 made to Morgan Wadsworth in appreciation for his work on the website, and that this motion replace the motion of November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016. **Carried.**

### **4. President’s Report**

No report, president absent

### **5. Financial Report**

Presented by Ken Gabora. Net income YTD \$3309, which is an increase over last year’s YTD of \$502.

**Motion** by Ken Gabora, seconded by Robert Stringer, to accept the financial report as presented.

**Carried**

### **6. Old Business**

None

## 7. New Business

### 1. Proposal by Unit Representatives (was presented and discussed earlier in the agenda, prior to other Club business)

-Barb Miller and Rick Gaucher presented a proposal on behalf of the South Saskatchewan Contract Bridge Unit #573, that the Regina Duplicate Bridge Club share equally with them in the purchase of 25 Bridgemate IIs, 1 Bridgemate II server, and 1 Bridgemate carrying case, to be used by the Regina Duplicate Bridge Club, and at Unit #573 sectional bridge tournaments.

-They provided background describing the devices. They said that Bridgemates are used in 4500 bridge clubs in 65 countries, and they support all movements that can be set up in ACBLscore.

-They showed the system requirements, which our existing computer meets.

- They outlined benefits: user-friendly, easier and accurate scoring, rapid scoring, preventing mistakes.

- Anticipated cost totalled \$4239 US, excluding shipping. Final cost will be dependent upon US/Canadian dollar exchange rate when purchased.

- RDDB would be responsible for ongoing replacement of AA batteries when required (batteries last approximately 500 bridge sessions)

- Discussion and questions centered primarily on benefits and logistics of usage.

**Motion** by Angela Duczek, seconded by Nancy Welta, that on behalf of the RDDB we accept the proposal for joint purchase with Unit #573, sharing costs equally, of 25 Bridgemate IIs, 1 Bridgemate II server and 1 Bridgemate carrying case, our acceptance of this proposal being subject to approval by the Unit for their share of the cost. **Carried**

### 2. STaC

Ilsa Krukoff pointed out that dates regarding STaC were incorrect on the calendar on our website. This will be corrected, and correct information will also be included in CLUB NEWS.

## 8.0 Committee Reports

### 1. Promotion and Public Relations

Special kudos to Lorraine Garratt, who has been doing a great job in working with the University of Regina project.

### 2. Facilities Maintenance

It was pointed out that when the power went out recently, it would have been good to have access to a flashlight, for safety of movement. Nancy Welta said that she will bring a lantern which would be available for such a circumstance.

### 3. Game Management- Nancy Welta

- Games are covered for now.
- Claire Jones has agreed to look after Tuesday evenings for the time being, and he will find his own replacement when needed. Re: Tuesday evening initiative, input from intermediate players was that they appreciated the approach.
- “Chirping” – it was pointed out that sometimes we may be aware of minor issues at the table, and we should feel free to discourage them by speaking up. However, if we become aware of issues that are of concern, we should let Nancy Welta know.
- Game directors getting together. It was thought that it would be a good idea for them to get a chance to meet for a discussion session. Lance Connell will look into this idea.

### 4. Education Committee

-Gaylene Spence said that the coffee party for January 8<sup>th</sup> is good to go.

- Email list – it would be good to have a separate student list, for emails that pertain particularly to them.
- It was noted that the list on our computer needs updating, in particular to remove names that should no longer be on the list. Nancy Welta agreed to print out the existing list. The list can then be posted for input from Club members who would be able to give input as to which names are no longer needed (moved away, etc)

#### **9.0 Club Management**

Sandy Bingaman pointed out that providing scoring sheets which routinely have convention card on the front and scoring on the back is wasteful and expensive, as they are usually discarded after one use, with convention card portion not kept in any event. The majority of what we need would be sheets which are used for scoring on both sides.

#### **10.0 Tournament Chair**

Rose Dunitz will be Tournament Chair for our April tournament

#### **11.0. Date of Next Meeting - February 18th, 10:00 am**

#### **12.0 General discussion**

- Percentage jackpot – it was decided that we should deposit money from the jackpot in our bank account to ensure that large sums of money are not kept at the Club.

**Gaylene Spence moved meeting adjourned.**