

REGINA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

Minutes of Board Meeting held at the Club January 19, 2019

Present: Leslie Mortin, Donna Barber, Greg Hutchinson, Nancy Welta, Lance Connell, Gaylene Spence, Larry Lazurko, Joan Quinlan, Angela Duczek, Lorna Bingaman, Ilsa Krukoff

Regrets: Sandy Bingaman, Lyle Spencer

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

1. Adoption of the Agenda

Moved by Gaylene Spence, seconded by Donna Barber, that the agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried.

2. Adoption of the Minutes of Nov 17th, 2018

Moved by Donna Barber, seconded by Greg Hutchinson, to adopt the Minutes of November 17th, 2018, as circulated. **Carried.**

3. President's Report

- Leslie Mortin reported that the Christmas party was very successful. The food brought by our members was fabulous. Numbers were down, due to the smaller space, but all that were here had a good time.
- Leslie said that Barb Miller will be looking for help with the tournaments
- The wall-mounted case for the AED (automated external defibrillator) has arrived
- Housekeeping: Extra dusting has been arranged at facility's expense.

4. Treasurer's Report

As our bylaws require, the Club treasurer must be a Club member. Therefore, Lorna Bingaman has now officially been given member status.

Lorna Bingaman presented the report.

- Lorna has checked into the additional billing for utilities from our old location, and this has been stopped. She is applying to receive a rebate.
- Question as to whether we are still being billed for the alarm system from the old location. Lorna will check into this.

Motion by Lorna Bingaman, seconded by Donna Barber, that we accept the financial report as presented.

Carried

5. Old Business

5.1 Purchase of safe

Discussion **TABLED** until April or later.

6. New Business

6.1 Table covers

- Merits of having covers – to reduce reflection, and also quieter.
- Various materials have been tried. We discussed the materials (felt, fleece, cotton) and their merits, and also colour choices. Because we will need availability of a large amount of material, and would also like to find at a good price, our choices will be more limited.
- Club member Maureen Wagner has volunteered to cut and sew the covers.

Motion by Angela Duczek, seconded by Greg Hutchinson, that we purchase enough fabric and elastic to cover 17 tables. **Carried.**

6.2 Replacement of Board Cases

Angela Duczek reported that the cases in which sets of boards are kept are in need of replacing. However, in researching replacement costs, she has found them to be quite prohibitive, as they

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only come as sets (cases/boards/cards), and for what we would need we would pay circa \$1800 plus shipping plus exchange. She suggested that cases may not be necessary, and that we consider instead stacking the boards in the locked cupboard. The Board agreed.

6.3 Phones

Directors will remind players that their phones must be turned off, or set to vibrate, during the game. Only one reminder will be given at any game, after which the director will assess a penalty. Reminders should be given prior to the start of the game, which serves as a warning to all (if no reminder is given, any infraction will result in a warning to that individual, and after that any further infraction from anyone will result in a half-board penalty being assessed).

6.4 Community Bridge

Donna Barber reported that there were 10 tables last Saturday.

She expressed some concern about the bathrooms, and the use of keys, which she says a few players find difficult to use. It was suggested that their playing partner accompany them to the washroom and assist with the key if needed.

Leslie Mortin pointed out that we have access to the upstairs washrooms as well. People can take the elevator to the upstairs, and our keys will fit the washroom doors on that level as well.

7. Committee Reports

7.1 Promotions and Public Relations

No report

7.2 Facilities Maintenance

Chairs – some have been breaking. These would need to be welded. Leslie will check with new welder (former welder has now retired)

7.3 Game Management

Nancy Welta reported that we are very short of directors, having 2 no longer directing, and having others that are away. Kudos to our remaining directors who have stepped up to help out, taking on extra games. Also to Lorraine Garratt, a new director, who has taken on covering some games. Others who took the course have either not taken their exam yet or have decided against proceeding at this time.

- New ACBL SCORE program should help with some glitches, once it is available to run.
- A reminder that outerwear left on hangers in the hall on the coat-racks should not have anything of value in the pockets (including car keys). Especially during the daytime when outside doors are not locked, things left on these racks are not necessarily secure. Ilsa Krukoff will add a reminder in the next CLUB NEWS.

7.4 Education

- Gaylene Spence reported that Level 2 sessions have begun, but numbers are down. She feels that if people are committed to learning bridge they will buy into the format that we are offering. However, she said that the Education Committee will consider other possible options.
- Board Game Bistro has gone out of business.
- People contacting for education information from the website – Gaylene said it would be helpful if these inquiries were directed to her.

7.5 Relocation

Final report will be coming. Last bills have arrived.

8. Club Management

No report at this time

10. Date of Next Meeting – Saturday February 16th, 2019, 10:00 am

11. General discussion

- Game cancellations over the holidays. Boxing Day – in future, we should consider cancelling games on the 26th
- Community Bridge calendar – post on website
- Changes were suggested and made to the task list. Updated list to be attached to last month's minutes prior to posting.
- Angela has removed some cleaning supplies, due to allergy concerns. She has replaced with scent-free supplies containing no harsh chemicals.
- Greg asked about interest in setting up google accounts for ease of sharing information among Board members. Most people felt they needed assistance in setting up and using. Greg said he will train and assist in setting up. Next meeting, time will be set aside to accomplish this. Board members are asked to bring their laptops or iPads if they have these.
Greg will resend instructions.

Gaylene Spence adjourned the meeting at 11:45