

REGINA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

Minutes of Board Meeting held at the Club May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**Present:** Sandy Bingaman, Nancy Welta, Greg Hutchinson, Lance Connell, Gaylene Spence, Lorna Bingaman, Angela Duczec, Ilsa Krukoff

**Regrets:** Leslie Mortin, Donna Barber, Lyle Spencer, Joan Quinlan, Larry Lazurko

**Guests:** Scott Rosom

**Angela Duczec called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.**

1. Adoption of the agenda. Add 6.2 Locking of bathrooms 7.4 Storage 7.5 Scott's proposal  
**Motion** by Gaylene Spence, seconded by Nancy Welta, that the agenda be adopted as amended. **Carried.**
2. Presentation by Guest, Scott Rosom  
Scott made a request that the Board consider changing the Thursday evening restriction to <1500. He gave a rationale that this was a game with fairly low numbers, so extending it could benefit the game; he also suggested this as a way to allow a game opportunity for someone who cannot play during the day. The Board thanked Scott for his presentation and his interest.
3. Adoption of the Minutes of March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
Minor amendments were made to wording and mechanical errors  
**Motion** by Sandy Bingaman, seconded by Nancy Welta, to adopt the Minutes of March 16th, 2019, as amended. **Carried.**
4. President's Report  
No report
5. Treasurer's Report – Lorna Bingaman  
Lorna pointed out that amount for printing supplies seems high, but that some of that amount should rightly be included as bridge supplies instead. It was noted that 2017/2018 honorarium for Club manager needs to be included.. Lorna also indicated that there is a \$25,000 GIC maturing, and she asked for the Board's direction as to the reinvestment (how much, at what rate, and for what length of time). The Board generally felt that she could explore rolling over at best interest rate for 1 year. Lorna will research further. Final decision **TABLED** to next month.  
**Motion** by Lorna Bingaman, seconded by Gaylene Spence, that we accept the financial report as presented. **Carried**
6. Old Business
  - 6.1 Interpretation of Rules  
Following the presentation by Pamela Keim at the last meeting, further research was done and presented to the Board. Decisions that arose from the discussion:
    - All players are to be required to complete an accurate convention card which reflects the agreements within that partnership (caveat: if this is not a regular partnership, there may not be sufficient opportunity to discuss all aspects prior to game).
    - Players must alert when necessary, but must not provide explanation spontaneously; that is, they must only explain if an opponent requests the explanation
    - Conventions such as INT range, which most players play as a very set standard range, must be pre-alerted if your partnership has an agreement of a range which differs from this standard.
    - Other bidding that differs from standard bidding, and that your partnership has an agreement regarding, should be alerted, or pre-alerted if this is a part of your system of play.

Some members of the Board also felt that it was important to differentiate between seasoned players

who demonstrate by their bidding that they have unannounced agreements that differ from standard, and other players, especially less experienced players, who make bids from time to time that may be out of the expected range. Our purpose should not be to discourage these players from entering the bidding, but rather to discourage those players who have agreements or implied agreements from disadvantaging their opponents. It was felt that at present our best approach is to deal with any specific partnerships on an individual basis. It was decided to **TABLE** further general action until September and that prior to the Regional would be an opportune time to remind all of our members of the importance of matters such as the above.

#### 6.2 Locking of bathrooms

Bathrooms will be locked at all times. In order to avoid confusion we will colour-code the lanyards on the keys, so that one is designated for use by the men and the other by the women.

### 7. New Business

#### 7.1 Honorarium for Club Manager

It was felt that our Club Manager does a great deal of extra work on behalf of the Club, and that he is deserving of an increased honorarium this year.

**Motion** by Gaylene Spence, seconded by Lance Connell, that for 2018/2019 fiscal year we give our Club Manager, Jim Bingaman, an honorarium of \$2400. **Carried.**

#### 7.2 Next year's Board - Letting your name stand

Board members who were present indicated their intent regarding letting their names stand.

Ilsa Krukoff will pass along these names to nomination committee Chair, Muriel Drew. Ilsa will also put an item in the next CLUB NEWS, advising people to contact Muriel if they are interested in running, or if they wish to nominate someone else to run for a position on the Board.

#### 7.3 AGM preparation

Items to be on the agenda include financial statement, budget, reports from President, Education chair and Promotion chair. Ilsa Krukoff will send out a call for Notice of Motion for any motions that members may wish to present. Game following AGM will be free for those who attend the AGM. Claire Jones has agreed to act as game director.

#### 7.4 Storage

In camera discussion, followed by a decision of appropriate action

#### 7.5 Scott Rosom's proposal

The Board discussed its merits and possible issues. It was decided to change the restriction on a trial basis. Jim Bingaman will need to apply to change the sanction.

**Motion** by Gaylene Spence, seconded by Sandy Bingaman, that we change the Thursday evening restriction to <1500, and that we review table counts monthly. **Carried.**

### 8. Committee Reports

#### 8.1 Promotion and Public Relations

No report

#### 8.2 Facilities Maintenance

No report

#### 8.3 Game Management

Joyce Butler will be away for 5 weeks. Other game directors are stepping up.

#### 8.4 Education

Gaylene Spence reported that Level 1 lessons started last night, with 11 people attending. 4 more will start next week, and 2 more at week 4.

Gaylene requested one free play per person for people who complete the set

Committee will meet this month to set workshops for next year  
Gaylene would like to explore ways to encourage transition from lessons to regular play.  
Lance Connell suggested that at the end of lessons she hold perhaps 2 transition sessions, with 1 master working with each group of 3 rookies in a game setting.

**Motion** by Gaylene Spence, seconded by Lance Connell, that one free play be given to those completing Level 1 lessons who have not previously received such free plays. **Carried.**

#### 8.5 Community Bridge

Greenfalls / Revera have once again offered to provide muffins, this time at June 8th Community Bridge. Again, we accept, with the same format.

#### 9. Club Management

Nancy Welta said that there were 4 conflicts with Rider home games, and she wondered about our cancellation policy. It was decided that the game director for each affected game poll the players in advance, and then determine on an individual basis whether to cancel.

Setting the calendar for holiday cancellations - December 24th and 25th, and January 1st to be cancelled.

#### 10. Date of Next Meeting– **Saturday June 1st<sup>h</sup>, 2019, 10:00 am**

#### 10. General Discussion

- AGM: Advertise 299er section to be held if numbers are sufficient
- Check to see if licensed (Leslie)

Gaylene Spence adjourned the meeting at 12:00