

REGINA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB
Minutes of Board Meeting held at the Club May 21, 2022

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

Regrets: Greg Hutchinson, Larry Luzurko.

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

1. Adoption of the agenda: moved by Gaylene, seconded by Donna. **Carried.**

2. Approval of February 19, 2022 minutes: Donna noted two errors; moved by Donna, seconded by Ilsa. **Carried.**

3. President's Report

Leslie reported that games are going well with numbers almost the same as previous months. The on-line game moved from Sunday afternoon to Monday evening to accommodate directors Lorraine Garrett and Cal McLeod, but this game, with an under-500 points limit attracted few players so it has been suspended for the time being. She also reported that she has renewed our insurance at a cost of about \$1865.

4. Financial Report

Lorna presented the monthly reports for April showing a current balance of almost \$85,000. She commented that our operations are currently sustainable. She moved her report be accepted, seconded by Gaylene. **Carried.**

5. Old Business

5.1 Our on-line game

As noted in Leslie's report, our on-line game is on hold, to be reviewed later. All on-line games in the province are considered part of the same pool, so our club continues to get revenue when our players participate in Saskatoon games, and we were sharing revenue from our game with players from Saskatoon.

5.2 Lottery Jar

Sandy moved that the club lottery for the perfect percentage be ended and that money from the lottery jar collected before our shutdown, approximately \$87, be included in the club's general revenue. Seconded by Gaylene. **Carried.**

6. New Business

6.1 Plans for the AGM

This will be an in-person meeting at the club on Tuesday, June 28, at 6:00 p.m. which will be followed by a free game for members. Leslie will appoint a person, possibly Muriel Drew or Mo Adams, to head a nomination committee. She will also prepare updates for the wall of honour when she has information for the entire fiscal year. Lorna will prepare year-end financial statements and have them reviewed by Don Norman.

6.2 Strategic plan

Leslie commented on the value of our previous strategic plan prepared several years ago and suggested that we plan to update this in the fall.

6.3 Recruitment and Retention of Directors

Leslie reported that she has contacted Linda Wallace about the possibility of training as a director but she is no longer interested in this. Other names were suggested and we will keep looking for candidates, as we need more directors.

Ilsa agreed to take over Nancy Welta's role as director liaison and promptly update directors on any board decisions or other items related to them.

It was agreed, that if a director can be found, that the club restart our Wednesday morning open game, beginning at 9:30 without a lunch break since we currently do not allow food at the club.

6.4 Review of Covid-19 Protocols

After discussion it was agreed to leave the current Covid-19 protocols in place, including the wearing of masks and requiring proof of vaccination.

6.5 Honorarium for Club Manager

Gaylene moved and Donna seconded that our manager be paid \$2400 for his work in the fiscal year 2021-22. **Carried.**

6.6 Renewal of Lease

Leslie reported that we will soon be entering the last year of our lease and said that she will start discussions with our landlord about this.

7. Committee reports

7.1 Promotions and public relations – Donna reported that she and Lorraine Garrett did an interview on Regina public radio about the club and the upcoming community bridge game.

7.2 Facilities Management: the broken ceiling board has still not been repaired, and the ceiling fan blows a little too hard.

7.3 Game Management:

Sandy explained that the club has used up almost all of the welcome back weeks with extra points offered by the ACBL, and once these are gone, we will have to pay \$5 US instead of the regular fee of \$1 US for special games. The one exception to these extra payments is four championship games per year for each of our sanctioned games. It was agreed that we continue our present policy of not participating in the more expensive games.

7.4 Education

Gaylene reported that she has completed the spring beginner lessons and is thinking about fall classes. Also, Joyce is currently conducting a five-session series of "Play of the Hand" lessons with 24 students and is also thinking about fall sessions.

7.5 Community Bridge

Donna reported that she has scheduled our first post-Covid community bridge session for Saturday, May 28, starting at 1:00 p.m. with bottles of water but no food for participants.

8. Club Management: no report

9. Next meeting

Saturday June 18, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

Meeting moved adjourned by Gaylene at 11:30.