

REGINA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB
Minutes of Board Meeting held at the Club May 4, 2024

Present: Leslie Mortin, Sandy Bingaman, Lorna Bingaman, Ilsa Krukoff, Gaylene Spence, Ron Miller, Frank Fries, Geri Skilnick

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

1. Adoption of the agenda: with additions moved by Gaylene seconded by Geri. **Carried.**

2. Approval of January 20, 2024 minutes: moved by Ron, seconded by Frank. **Carried.**

3. President's Report: Things continue to go well at the club, and the bylaw draft is ready to go to the membership for approval at the AGM.

4. Financial Report

Lorna commented on the March financial statement which showed the club again with positive income. She moved acceptance of this report, seconded by Ron. **Carried.**

4.1 Sandy moved, seconded by Gaylene, that when we convert our variable rate GIC to a fixed rate in June, that we increase its balance to \$27,000.

4.2 Ron noted that we start filing income tax return at the upcoming end of our fiscal year.

4.3 Gaylene moved, seconded by Ilsa, that annual endowment fund withdrawals should cover the amounts spent on lessons instead of being limited to the interest from the fund.

4.4 Lorna went through last year's budgeted amounts and asked for suggestions for this year's numbers. She will review this and submit it to the board for approval before the AGM.

5. AGM preparations

This meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 25, at 6:00 p.m. with a free game to follow.

As soon as the year's financial statement are available, Don Normal will review them, and Lorna will duplicate copies to make them available at the meeting.

Copies of the bylaw draft will be sent to members on line, and Lorna will also make a few paper copies.

6. Special games' points

Sandy outlined the ACBL cost for various kinds of upgraded games, some of which are \$1.15 US and others which are \$5.15 US per table. She moved and Geri seconded that our club make use of only the cheaper ones. There was also discussion of STaC games, which are run by the Canadian Bridge Federation, also an extra cost, and the motion was amended to include up to ten sessions of these games. **Carried.**

7. Extra open games

Ilsa reported that some members had approached her asking that more open games, perhaps on Tuesday nights or the Saturdays without "8 is Enough" games. Various board members pointed out that the Tuesday evening game had been discontinued because of lack of participation and that the club has offered occasional games such as the Helen Shield Rookie/Master one and the up-coming two-session Swiss teams championships. Leslie commented that if any member came forward with a concrete plan for a game to which members had committed, including a director for it, the board would be glad to consider it.

8 Committee Reports

8.1 Promotions and Public Relations – no report

8 Facilities – Our landlord fixed a loose light cover quickly when asked and also finally fixed the loose board in the ceiling.

9.2 Game Management - no report

9.3 Education - Gaylene reported she will hold an open house on September 5 and will start beginner lessons on September 19.

10. Club Management: no report

11. Next meeting

Saturday, June 15 10:00 a.m.

Meeting moved adjourned by Ron at 11:40.