

February 20, 2018 Minutes of Meeting

Present: Wendy Mohammed, Margaret Churchill, Gayle Forestell, Susan Metcalf, Susan Fair, Jan Byers, Lynda Marshall, Linda Cox, Rene Thiry

Absent: Janet Billon

Meeting called to order by Wendy Mohammed: 11:33 am

1. Payment of table fees: Council requested that money is collected as is done now.
2. Mentorship Games: Wendy discussed how “ Let’s Play Bridge” club is encouraging

newer players to join the game. They have adopted two new ways to mentor their newer players and suggested that we consider providing more games at our club where “mentors” would play with “rookie” players. There would be a sign up for the mentors and the rookies. (less than 99 points)

Jane Johnson Rookie Master game is held in April and it was suggested that we initiate another game in July. Council was agreeable to this suggestion.

3. Coffee Volunteers: We have been fortunate that members have been signing up for coffee duties. It was suggested in order to simplify the process we ask members to sign up for a month at a time - either for Tuesday or Thursday. Jan offered to put the template on the computer so that it is easily accessible.

4. Special Games: Wendy wondered what the cost is of a regular STAC game is VS a Canada wide STAC game. The cost of a STAC game is 7.50 per table.

June has a STAC game for District 19.

Based on the cost per game it was felt 2or 3 special games per month was enough.

5. Articles for the website: Wendy asked council members to submit Bridge related articles to her that may be appropriate for our Bridge website. Nigel will post them on our website.

6. Director acting in a Partnership:

a. If there is already a half table, the Director has the option to play with someone whose partner did not show up or a player had attended a learning game or lessons in the morning. If the Director chooses not to play then any council member in attendance will be charged with the duty of informing the extra player that they will not be able to play that day. If the Director chooses to play, they play for free and, as that table would be counted as a full table anyways, the Director is paid \$5 for that table.

b. If all tables are full but there is a player whose partner has not shown, or, if someone has inadvertently double booked, then the Director, again at their discretion, can play thus creating a half table which would have been the case anyway had the partner shown. The Director will play free but will not receive payment for that table as the table would not have been in play unless the Director played. Half tables will not be created for “drop ins” hoping to get a game.

Motion: That Directors will be paid if they play to complete a full table but not if they make a half table. Passed Unanimously.

7. Increase in Rental Fees: Wendy warned us that we may soon be facing increased fees at our venue. This is in consideration of the increase in the minimum wage. She wants us to be vigilant about keeping our expenses under control and maintaining a healthy bank balance.

8. Equipment /Supplies: Susan requests that we purchase clear glasses for water so that the insulated coffee glasses are not used for that purpose. She also would like to purchase small plates for when they are required. All agreed.

No new equipment is required. However, 36 decks of new cards will be purchased for about \$150.00

9. Table Fees for President and Treasurer:

It was noted that our current President and long time Treasurer put in a great deal of time on behalf of our Club. In some way, members would like to show their appreciation for the initiative, time and commitment they have made to the WDBC. It was suggested that we provide both this year's President and Treasurer with 30 free Club games which expire on December 31, 2018 and are not transferrable. It was also suggested that tickets be provided to them stating the fact that they are non transferrable and expire at the end of December. Passed Unanimously.

10. Additional Director: We need a back up Director for our Tuesday games. Wendy will approach Phil Shadick (sp?) and ask if he would be willing to fulfill this duty. All agreed this would be a good choice.

Respectfully submitted by Rene Thiry