

Minutes of Meeting April 25th - Westbank Lions Community Center

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. with Wendy Mohamed, Bill Holland, Leslie Sil, Susan Fair, Nigel Arding and Judy Cass in attendance. Absent: Lynda Marshall and Susan Metcalf

Judy Cass volunteered to record the minutes.

As there was a small error in last month's minutes, they were tabled for adoption until a correction is made.

Rookie/Master Game: There was a good turnout and it was a successful day. Discussion about a more efficient way to assign teams and tables followed. It was decided this kind of event is very good for mentoring opportunities. It was suggested a sign-up sheet could be circulated and teams assigned prior to the event. Bill Holland volunteered to coordinate the event in May and will ask Susan Metcalf to assist if possible. It will not be a "toonie" event. There is no game in June because of the Penticton Regional tournament.

Disciplinary Action: It has come to the attention of the board that there has been a disruptive person in the club. Opponent teams have mentioned his attitude to Wendy because it was upsetting to them. It was agreed that Nigel, as Club Manager, would address this issue.

Survey Review: Moved by Leslie, seconded by Judy that we table discussion of the survey results until the next meeting when we are a full council. The two items under discussion will be #9 and #10.

Treasurer's Report: The current balance is \$5500.00. We have had a few expenses but it should remain steady at the present time. Since the Lion's Hall now has more security and staff, it is possible the price of our rental may increase and we must be prepared. At the moment the Tuesday morning game is being subsidized, but hopefully that will change in the future, and we will evaluate it further in September. Bill Holland and Leslie Sil will collect game fees while Susan Fair is away and Dave Taylor will deposit the money and file his report with her.

Summer Unit Game (Hospitality) - Leslie reported that the committee has decided to contract Houston Pizza to provide lasagna, garlic toast and Caesar salad for our summer game. The committee had reviewed many options and this was the best choice for value, ease and a timely lunch. It will be delivered and set-up for us for a price of approximately \$7.50 per person. Discussion followed with council

members agreeing we would probably get lots of cookies and squares donated for the day. Judy felt that with this luncheon special, we would not need to hire additional staff. Many thanks to Nigel's wife who has offered to help with refreshing tea, condiments, cookies, etc.

Hospitality - (other) Wendy's announcement today for coffee volunteers was very successful for Thursdays. Wendy will continue to make the coffee until her Tuesday lessons are over in May and we will review our situation for the Tuesday morning game then. Thank you Wendy.

Purchasing - The club had purchased pink boards that are not adequate for our needs. Susan Metcalf will try to get our money reimbursed when she goes to Penticton. If that is not possible, it was agreed we would donate the pink boards to the Senior's Centre.

Club Manager - Nothing to report.

Psyching - Bill Holland - After much research, Bill opened discussion on the topic of "psych" bids. These are deliberate and malicious bids, usually made by experienced players against inexperienced players, who may not even recognize what has been done until after the game is over. Discussion followed, including educating Directors, providing guidelines, possible consequences when a psych bidder is caught, and some solutions. It is more common in Kelowna clubs, and less so in our club.

One possible solution strongly accepted by the council members was that the game be reviewed and if it had been determined by the Director that a psych bid had been used, a "zero" game point would be given to the offenders.

It was decided that Bill would formulate a club guideline, assisted by Nigel, and they would present it to some of our Directors to receive feedback and input.

Nigel suggested that clarification be published in our next club handbook if possible.

Other: Levina has not received her gift card yet, so Wendy offered to purchase and deliver it to her.

The date of our next meeting will be May 30th.

As there was no other business, Leslie Sil moved to adjourn.

submitted by Judy Cass

