Minutes of the Rochester Duplicate Bridge Club Board of Directors January 8, 2025

Members present: Connie Dalzell, Al Larson, Tom Grigoleit, Becky Cook, Jan Morris, Bonnie Fox, and Sue Greenberg (ex-officio).

The meeting was called to order at 11:05am by Connie Dalzell.

Election of Officers:

Jan Morris moved and Becky Cook seconded a motion to elect Connie Dalzell as President. The motion passed unanimously.

Jan Morris moved and Bonnie Fox seconded a motion to elect Harlan Wickre as President-Elect. The motion passed unanimously.

Tom Grigoleit moved and Bonnie Fox seconded a motion to elect Jan Morris as Secretary. The motion passed unanimously.

Appointments:

Jan Morris moved and Tom Grigoleit seconded a motion to appoint the following slate of appointments:

Primary Director-Greg Caucutt

Club Manager-Sue Greenberg

Treasurer-Earlene Wickre

Data Manager-Ed Prosser

Webmaster-Matt Belau

The motion passed unanimously.

A motion to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2024 meeting was made by Jan Morris and seconded by Tom Grigoleit. The motion passed unanimously.

President's report: The President had no report.

Treasurer's report: Earlene Wickre was absent and there was a discussion about the Treasurer's preliminary report which had been prepared by Kathy Maegerlein that was circulated and discussed. RDBC had deficit in the month of December and it now has less of a cushion in the bank account. Part of the deficit was due to the payment of annual stipends and part was due to the purchase of a computer.

Manager's report: All sanctions have been renewed at a cost of \$140. Tom Grigoleit is the only new board member and he will access the bylaws and other documents online and does not require the Club Manager to provide him copies of those documents. Sue Greenberg announced that the Unit 103 bridge blog reported that Greg Caucutt is the player of the year for Rochester with a 57.35% average for games played in person. Carol Mataya had the attendance award for Rochester for in person games. Connie Dalzell was the most improved player of the year for Rochester. Sue noted that we need an internal financial review. Don Van Ryn has done this in past years, Al Larson has volunteered to be the board representative, and both Kathy Magaerlin and Earlene Wickre will need to be involved. Connie Dalzell will check to see if Don Van Ryn will do this function again. Sue announced she will retire as Club Manager at the end of December 2026. She has created and maintains a local "how to" manual. Sue delivered the money collected for our annual charity drive to our chosen charity, Family Promise, at it's headquarters. The rent for 2025 was increased by 2% and is now \$2,560 per month. Sue has nothing new to add on the search for another facilty.

Social Committee report: Becky Cook and Bonnie Fox reported on the Holiday Party. The cost of the party was \$195.76. We served 65 members and guests. Everyone felt it was a successful party and self-catering kept the cost down.

Old Business: None.

New business:

We need to form a Social Committee. Bonnie Fox will chair the Social Committee. Becky Cook will also serve. The committee will solicit Mary Funk and Harlan Wickre to serve on the committee again.

We need to select our charity for the year. Please email suggestions to Sue Greenberg. Sue noted that historically we have not selected faith-based charities.

Tom Grigoleit asked if the Thursday game could be changed from 1-499 to 0-749, non-life master. It was decided that we will think about this issue, gather data, and discuss this matter at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:03pm

Respectfully submitted by Jan Morris, Secretary