

ROCHESTER DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB BOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 9, 2020

Board meeting called to order by President Arne Fockler at 10:00am on Wednesday, December 9th via teleconference.

Present were Arne, Matt Belau, Mary Jo Kelly, Betty Shidler, Cindy Heins, Gloria Georger, Yvonne Steiroff, Linda Grigoleit, and Ed Prosser. Ex-officio members in attendance were Sue Greenberg and Kathy Maegerlein.

President's quote: "Don't be cynical, it doesn't become you." – Esther Fockler¹

Board items that required voting included:

- **Board Minutes from the November meeting were approved** as submitted (Mary Jo moved, Cindy seconded, approved 9-0).

Board items discussed that did not require a vote:

- President's report: The Board **voted to change the pay structure for the club manager position** in a special meeting called on December 7th. At that meeting, "a whole lot of good things were said about Sue." Arne expressed that Sue had made this year for Arne pretty easy, and that he had gotten more support than he expected. Arne also indicated he would miss everyone on the Board.
- Treasurer's report: The **November Treasurer's report** included the \$300 donation to Habitat for Humanity and the business expense of putting the club's property in storage. The November report will wait to be approved by the Board until January's meeting, when we have the actual numbers from the ACBL.
- Club Manager's report: Starting in January, with no rent due, Sue asked the Board whether we should consider **reducing the online game fees**. The Board consensus was that the \$5/game was reasonable, and with the financial uncertainty about rent and rental agreements down the road to leave the fees as they are for now.
 - A complaint had been lodged about **online players not having convention cards** filled out, as is BBO/ACBL policy. After some discussion about the best way to handle this, it was agreed to work with the individual players/partnerships to make sure they have something posted.
 - **Sue expressed her appreciation for the Board**, especially those who are leaving the Board this year. Whenever something was needed to get done, it did, and she really felt like the Board worked as a team – that it was a great year, and she thanked everyone.
- Tournament Co-Chairs report: ACBL Tournaments are still **cancelled through February, 2021**, and we have not gotten any indication from Unit 103 or the ACBL when tournaments will be able to be scheduled.

OLD BUSINESS:

- There was no old business to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **A hearty "thank you" was provided to Mary Jo, Yvonne, and Arne**, for their service on the Board as their terms have come to an end.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made (Linda), seconded (Yvonne) and approved (9-0) to end the meeting at 10:19a. The next Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 13th.

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Belau, Secretary to the Board

¹ The President's quote is from the President's mother, as the President heard this quote "many, many times."

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December 7, 2020

Special Board meeting called to order by President Arne Fockler at 3:32pm on Monday, December 7th via teleconference.

Present were Arne, Matt Belau, Betty Shidler, Cindy Heins, Gloria Georger, Yvonne Steiroff, and Ed Prosser. Absent were Mary Jo Kelly, Linda Grigoleit¹, and ex-officio members Sue Greenberg and Kathy Maegerlein.

Board items that required voting included:

- **Increasing the annual stipend for RDBC Club Manager** to \$1,000 per calendar year, effective immediately (Ed moved, Cindy seconded, approved 7-0).

Board items discussed that did not require a vote:

- President's report: Nothing to report.
- Treasurer's report: No report available.
- Club Manager's report: No report available.
- Tournament Co-Chairs report: Nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS:

- No old business to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

- This special meeting was called by the Board President to discuss **raising the annual stipend for the club manager**. Currently, at \$200 per year, the discussion centered around whether that was adequate considering the amount of work required by the club manager. The Board agreed to raise the annual stipend (see vote, above) and to hold a special event in the future once we're back to face-to-face bridge to honor the club manager (something of a "Club Manager Appreciation Day/Game") for their dedication and leadership.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made (Matt), seconded (Cindy) and approved (7-0) to end the meeting at 3:36p. The next Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 9th.

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Belau, Secretary to the Board

¹ Linda Grigoleit was unable to make this meeting but earlier in the day had expressed her whole-hearted support for the motion.