

FORT WAYNE DUPLICATE BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

Monthly Board Meeting

February 13, 2019

President Stan Davis called the meeting to order at 4:50 p.m. Other board members present were Lee Baatz, Bob Enyeart, Penny Henshaw, Dave Hoevel, Joe Kohne, Judy Nelsen, and Carl Wheeler. Absent: Phil Eyermann. Also present was ex-officio member Club Manager Gary Chaney.

1. Lee moved and Dave seconded a motion to accept the January minutes and Treasurer's report. Motion carried.
2. Judy reported that the Marketing committee's Hospitality team has been trained to welcome new players and give them info about the club. The committee proposes that the club begin use of a yellow zero tolerance card, to be placed in bidding boxes, for players to display when they're uncomfortable with another player's behavior at the table but don't wish to call the director. After discussion, Judy moved and Dave seconded a motion to order such a card cut to the same dimensions as the alert card so it can fit in bidding boxes without obscuring other needed cards. Motion carried.
3. Since our player survey showed sufficient interest in Swiss team games, a committee was set up to propose implementation. After discussion of their proposal, Bob moved and Joe seconded the items below. Motion carried.
 - a. The FWDBC will hold Swiss team games on the third Thursday of all months EXCEPT that they will be on the third Monday of May, August and November. The first game will be held on March 21.
 - b. Each four-person team must be composed of players whose ranking numbers total no more than 9. Each FWDBC player will be assigned a ranking number from 1 to 4 by a committee of the active directors: Jim Kart, Bob Enyeart, and Gary Chaney. A list of players in all rankings will be made available to players. Any player who requests a higher ranking will be given one. If any team requests a waiver of the 9-point total, it must notify Jim, Bob, or Gary at least two days in advance. A unanimous decision of the three directors to affirm is necessary to grant the waiver. It is expected that teams will form themselves, but any pair needing assistance is encouraged to contact Joe Kohne, Stan Davis or Penny Henshaw for help at least two days before the game.
 - c. During competition between teams, the higher-ranked players (4's & 3's) will be matched against the opposing team's higher-ranked players. When one team includes a 1-ranked player and the other does not, the former team may choose its pairings against the opposing team.
 - d. Two directors will serve at each game. There will be hand records for all games but they may not include all hands when there are more than 12 tables.
4. Jim has said he does not need assistance with growing the Saturday game at this time. Penny will ask 0-299 players about interest in a 0-299 MP Saturday game to be started at a later time.
5. Bob moved and Penny seconded using Carl Minick as auditor of our finances for 2018. Motion carried.
6. Stan reported that Longest Day planning is underway, with Dena Davis leading planning for the morning rubber bridge game and Teresa Nelson agreeing to solicit items for the silent auction.
7. Judy noted that any information or inquiries about material to go to the player list should come to her, as the person appointed by the board to oversee the e-communications manager position.
8. Gary suggested arranging for more display space on the long window wall. This was tabled for further discussion.
9. The meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of the board is Wednesday, March 13, 2019.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Nelsen, Secretary