

FORT WAYNE DUPLICATE BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

Monthly Board Meeting

March 13, 2019

President Stan Davis called the meeting to order at 4:55 p.m. Other board members present were Lee Baatz, Bob Enyeart, Phil Eyermann, Penny Henshaw, Joe Kohne, Judy Nelsen, and Carl Wheeler. Absent: Dave Hoevel. Also present was ex-officio member Club Manager Gary Chaney.

1. Bob moved and Lee seconded a motion to accept the February minutes and Treasurer's report. Motion carried.
2. The Marketing committee's Hospitality team has welcomed four new players. Lee moved, Judy seconded spending up to \$200 to have 100 Zero Tolerance cards (approved in the last meeting) printed. Motion carried. Bob agreed to do it. Based on Marketing committee recommendations, Judy moved, Penny seconded two motions: 1) when a current player brings a new player to a FWDBC game, both play free; and 2) rubber bridge players who participate in the morning event on the Longest Day will be given one free pass to a FWDBC game if they are new to duplicate. Both motions carried.
3. We discussed player responses to the Swiss team games. About 10 teams are signed up for March 21 with others still looking for teammates. Mainly #1 ranked players are needed. Joe will make announcements at regular games asking for players. Judy raised the possibility of moving this game to Mondays permanently if the Monday game in May succeeds. Joe will ask at the March 21 game how many could come on Mondays.
4. Stan reviewed preparations for the Longest Day event on June 19. Matt Farber is soliciting large donations, Stan and Dena Davis will recruit for and host the morning event for rubber bridge players, Teresa Nelson is getting restaurant gift certificates for the auction, and the Marketing committee will assist with publicity, flyers, and more. Players who want to donate auction items should do so at least a week before the event.
5. We discussed getting five 24" x 24" display boards to display game results and provide hand records on the long window wall. Bob agreed to find out how much these would cost and report back to the board at the next meeting.
6. Penny reported that some 0-299 players would consider attending a Saturday game if they didn't risk being put in the Open game, but probably not in the summer. We will consider later trying to start such a game in September.
7. Gary said few players are attending the Wednesday morning lessons. He's willing to continue teaching them until September but suggests they be discontinued then unless someone else wants to teach them.
8. As Unit President, Gary asked the club to waive charges for room use and cleaning that otherwise would be charged to the Unit for the weekend of the Sectional tournament. Phil moved, Judy seconded that this be done. Motion carried.
9. We agreed with Jim's requests that a box be put up for players to suggest mini-lesson topics or make other suggestions and that the sign-up sheet for players looking for games be moved to the main desk. Bob suggested that the Club Manager position in future have a stipend attached and several agreed. (Gary doesn't want one now). Phil suggested that the website masterpoint lists include all club members, not just the first 30. Bob, Gary and Phil will determine if it's technologically doable without taking a lot of time. If so, we can consider this issue at the next meeting.
10. The meeting adjourned at 6:02 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of the board is Wednesday, April 10, 2019.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Nelsen, Secretary