

FORT WAYNE DUPLICATE BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

Monthly Board Meeting

September 11, 2019

President Stan Davis called the meeting to order at 4:52 p.m. Other board members present were Lee Baatz, Bob Enyeart, Phil Eyermann, Joe Kohne, Judy Nelsen and Carl Wheeler. Also present: ex-officio member Club Manager Gary Chaney. Absent: Penny Henshaw and Dave Hoevel

1. Bob moved and Joe seconded a motion to accept the August minutes. Motion carried.
2. Phil moved and Bob seconded a motion to accept the August Treasurer's report. Motion carried.
3. Judy reported that the marketing committee will work with Gary to come up with ways to find Open game players willing to play occasionally with new players in the Open game, as is done for new players in the 0-299 game.
4. Stan moved and Carl seconded a two-part motion: a) change the title of Rule 7 of the Standard Rules to "FEES PAID TO BOARD MEMBERS, DIRECTORS, E-COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER AND CLUB MANAGER"; and b) add to this rule "Item e. The Club Manager shall be paid one-hundred dollars (\$100) per month for services performed." Motion carried with one abstention.
5. The group discussed options for perks to club members when we have excess funds. Since the Nationals will be in Columbus, Ohio next March, one use might be for a bus to take members. Bob moved and Joe seconded offering free games for all players at the second Saturday of each month beginning in January. Motion carried. The marketing committee will try to promote these games for all players, including 0-299 players and rubber bridge players. We agreed to discuss in January how to use further possible excess funds, after keeping an amount back as a reserve fund.
6. Phil moved and Judy seconded that the Holiday Party game this year will be free to club members. Motion carried.
7. Joe moved and Carl seconded paying \$200 for supplies left over from the Soaring Eagles game. Motion carried.
8. Phil suggested the club purchase an external hard drive to back up its data. Since it would cost around \$150, it can be purchased without a vote and Phil agreed to do so. Gary suggested we may need to replace some computers or our refrigerator next year. Bob agreed to work with Phil and Gary to determine capital needs for 2020 and report back.
9. Gary reminded us that we need to get started on organizing the next board election. Phil agreed to chair and put together a nominating committee of two other people. Judy will get out notices to club members asking them to consider running; as secretary, she also needs to make sure the list of candidates is published by November 14. We agreed to continue the absentee voting policy initiated last year. Gary will take care of it and of having votes counted.
10. Judy moved and Bob seconded that items left over from the Longest Day auction be sold at the club and the money donated to the Alzheimer's Association, since donors were asked to give them for that purpose. Motion carried.
11. At our next meeting we need to begin planning for the Holiday Party on December 14.

The meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of the board is Wednesday, October 9, 2019.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Nelsen, board secretary