

FORT WAYNE DUPLICATE BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting –November 17, 2021

Board President Phil Eyermaun called the meeting to order at 4:35 PM. Other board members present were Bob Enyeart, Kim Grant, Joe Kohne, Judy Nelsen, Kris Purcell, David Sorg, and Carl Wheeler. Also present: ex-officio non-voting member Club Manager Gary Chaney.

1. Kim moved, Bob seconded a motion to accept the October 13, 2021 board minutes. Motion carried.
2. After discussion Kim moved, David seconded a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Motion carried. We also discussed a draft 2022 budget. The final budget will be brought for a vote at the December meeting.
3. Club Manager's report: Enforcement of a time limit when playing seems to be working. Our nine-year-old computer is having intermittent problems and will need to be replaced at some point, especially as we have no back-up computer. Judy moved, David seconded a motion to approve Gary spending up to \$1000 for a new computer after the directors have decided what will best fit our needs. Motion carried with four yes votes, two no votes, and one abstention.
4. Old business:
 - a. Consideration of whether to require players to get COVID booster shots was postponed until January.
 - b. Kim reported progress on the board election and proposed that: 1) on December 1, she will send a ZOHO survey as a ballot for most club members with email; 2) on November 18, Gary will send a ballot by regular mail (with a stamped, self-addressed return envelope) to club members without email and those with two members using the same email address; 3) all ballots must be returned by December 10, whether by mail, by email ballot, or by bringing mailed ballots to the club; 4) Kim with Bob Enyeart and a player to be chosen from the 0-499 MP game will count the final votes on December 14 and Kim will announce soon after.
 - c. Kim suggested moving the December board meeting to the 15th so that newly elected board members can attend, as has been the case in the past. The board agreed with this and all other election arrangements.
 - d. The board discussed and agreed that if the three board members (Joe, Judy and Carl) who served an extra year due to COVID were re-elected this year, they would serve the three two-year terms. If all three were not re-elected, the new board can decide how to allocate the remaining two-year term(s).
 - e. A discussion of possible strategies to increase attendance was postponed to the December meeting.
5. New business:
 - a. Judy Nelsen was chosen to receive this year's Bonahoom award for service to the club.
 - b. After discussion Carl moved, David seconded that when a player leaves before a game is over without a good reason such as sudden illness or another emergency, the directors should meet and decide the penalty, taking into account the circumstances and player's prior behavior; if desired, the player could later appeal the decision to the board. Motion carried.
6. After discussion Kim moved, Joe seconded awarding our cleaning person Lori a \$200 bonus this year. Motion carried.
7. The meeting adjourned at 5:45 PM. The next board meeting will be on Wednesday, December 15 at 4:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Nelsen, board secretary