

FORT WAYNE DUPLICATE BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes, April 13, 2022

Board President Phil Eyermann called the meeting to order at 4:40 PM. Other board members present were: Dimi Cooklev, Amy Kelly, Judy Nelsen (by phone), Kris Purcell, David Sorg and Carl Wheeler. Also present: ex-officio non-voting member Club Manager Gary Chaney. Absent: Kim Grant and Joe Kohne

1. David moved, Kris seconded a motion to accept the March 9, 2022 board meeting minutes. Motion carried.
2. After discussion Kris moved, Dimi seconded a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.
3. Club Manager's report: Gary told us he will resign as club manager at the end of 2022, though he will still be a director. Bob Enyeart has agreed to take over, and we should officially name him for the position at a board meeting where all members are present. Gary has recommended that Bob be made club manager for the Cedar Creek club as well but hasn't yet had a chance to discuss the matter with their leaders.
4. Old business:
 - a) Judy reported that the Longest Day committee has met and is moving forward with soliciting donations and auction items. The June 22 event will feature bridge games with extra masterpoints, a raffle, a small silent auction, and two desserts to draw players to come early for the auction if okay with the board. Judy moved, Carl seconded a motion that the club provide 20 free games as raffle prizes. Motion carried. Board members agreed we can serve cookies and brownies before the game that day.
 - b) We discussed possible means to attract more players back to the club. Gary will teach lessons on defense before first and second Thursday games starting in June and Phil will ask Lee Baatz if he'd do lessons the other two Thursdays. Judy agreed to call some players without partners who might want to play together.
 - c) We decided to postpone discussion of Gary's proposals to end the Saturday Open game, move the sanction to a Friday Open game and move free games for 0-399 players from the Thursday game to the new Friday game. Gary wants to meet first with Steve Harvey and Ahnee Connor to discuss technicalities that have arisen by having the Cedar Creek Saturday game and ours on the same afternoon. Judy suggested that a formal or informal survey of players' interest in a Friday game might be a good idea before adding one.
5. The meeting adjourned at 5:12 PM. The next board meeting will be on Wednesday, May 11 at 4:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Nelsen, board secretary