

FORT WAYNE DUPLICATE BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes November 9, 2022

Board President Phil Eyer mann called the meeting to order at 4:44 PM. Other board members present were: Dimi Cooklev, Kim Grant, Joe Kohne, Judy Nelsen (by phone), Kris Purcell, and Carl Wheeler. Also present: future Club Manager Bob Enyeart. Absent: Amy Kelly, David Sorg and ex-officio non-voting member Club Manager Gary Chaney.

1. Kim moved, Joe seconded a motion to accept the October 12, 2022 board meeting minutes. Motion carried.
2. After discussion Kim moved, Kris seconded a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Motion carried. Carl announced that two players donated a total of \$150 to the club as a memorial for long-time player Paul Knepper.
3. Club Manager's report: No report.
4. Old business:
 - a) Phil and Judy will meet with Lee Baatz and report at our next meeting on Lee's plan to offer spring beginning bridge lessons at the club, how administrative aspects (enrollment, fees, copying) could be managed, who will handle publicity, and a possible schedule for the classes. The board can then consider the club's possible role and any responsibilities or expenses the club might need to handle.
 - b) Kim has communicated with the ACBL and learned we cannot bar psyching at our open games as approved at our last board meeting. That vote has been rescinded since we must be in compliance with the ACBL. The ACBL did advise that we should inform our players that psyching against a player of lesser ability is considered by the ACBL to be "unsportsmanlike conduct," warranting a warning from the director the first time it happens. Players are also not allowed to psych more than once in a game. If a player psychs more than once a month (then it becomes an understanding with partner), disciplinary action can be brought by the director, which can range from board adjustment to being barred from the club for a period of time. Players are encouraged to bring psychs to the directors' attention after the hand or even after the game.
 - c) After discussion, board members liked Gary's Idea of two Mondays with Swiss team games per month, but thought the 2023 board should decide details and probably these shouldn't start till the snowbirds return.
5. New business: the board discussed and agreed who should receive the Bonahoom award on December 7. Bob will have the plaque made and Kim will handle the certificate and bring cookies.
6. The meeting adjourned at 5:28 PM. The next board meeting will be on Wednesday, December 14, at 4:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Nelsen, board secretary