

FORT WAYNE DUPLICATE BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes, September 13, 2023

Board President Phil Eyermann called the meeting to order at 4:45 PM. Other board members present were Michael Clegg, Dimi Cooklev, Amy Kelly, Joe Kohne, Judy Nelsen (by phone), Helen Ryan and Carl Wheeler. Also present: ex-officio non-voting member Club Manager Bob Enyeart. Absent: Bev Brunson

1. Phil advised that Bev Brunson has resigned from the board due to health problems. After discussion Phil moved, Judy seconded appointing Deb Aschbacher to fill the remainder of Bev's three-year term. Motion carried.

2. Michael moved, Helen seconded a motion to accept the August 9, 2023 board meeting minutes. Motion carried.

3. After discussion Joe moved, Amy seconded a motion to accept the September Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

4. Club Manager's report: 1) Club memberships for 2024 will be sold starting October 1. 2) Jim Kart has suggested putting up a partnership board for players looking for a partner; Bob will arrange for this. 3) Kim has asked Bob to take over making the calendar and other of her duties. Phil agreed to print the calendars with his color printer but we may want to consider buying one for the club (to be discussed next meeting). 4) After discussion, Judy moved, Carl seconded sponsoring Bob to learn to be a Sectional tournament director and achieve this certification for \$130; motion carried. 5) Redeemer Radio is closing shop, so we'll have to get internet and phone coverage after October. Carl and Michael agreed to work with Bob to decide how best to proceed. 6) Phil and Bob agreed to talk to Carl Minick, who knows the Tippmanns, about how/whether this move might affect our rent.

5. Old business:

a) After discussion Amy moved, Joe seconded a motion to change Standing Rule 7 c. to state that directors will receive an additional \$10 for directing both an open and a 0-499er game while serving as a guaranteed partner, effective immediately. Motion carried. We agreed to discuss raising regular director fees at our next meeting.

b) Report on efforts to increase club participation by calling former players was postponed to our next meeting.

6. New business:

a) Phil reported that three board members whose terms are up this year will not be running again; these include the board secretary and the treasurer. He nominated and the board agreed that Michael should be the Chair of the Nominating Committee, an especially important job this year. Appointment of a Chair of the Election Committee was deferred until the next meeting.

b) Ken Bisson wants to hold a Sectional tournament at Trine University next August using the date previously slotted for FWDBC. As the primary movers for organizing our sectional are stepping back, Phil agreed with the request. We need to discuss our interest in the club hosting future Sectionals at a later board meeting.

c) We discussed the possibility of buying a defibrillator for the club. If we had one, our directors would be trained to use it. We have been assured the club would not be liable for its use. Amy will look into costs and any other issues and report back at the next meeting.

7. The meeting adjourned at 6:59 PM. The next board meeting will be on Wednesday, October 11 at 4:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Nelsen, Board Secretary