

FORT WAYNE DUPLICATE BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes, November 8, 2023

Board President Phil Eyer mann called the meeting to order at 4:42 PM. Other board members present were Deb Aschbacher, Michael Clegg, Dimi Cooklev, Joe Kohne, Judy Nelsen (by phone), Helen Ryan and Carl Wheeler. Also present: ex-officio non-voting member Club Manager Bob Enyeart. Absent: Amy Kelly

1. Michael moved, Joe seconded a motion to accept the October 11, 2023 board meeting minutes. Motion carried.
2. After discussion Michael moved, Dimi seconded a motion to accept the November Treasurer's report. Motion carried. Carl then presented a draft 2024 budget, explained his rationale for items and answered questions. He asked that all board members think about any possible need for changes and send their comments to him well before the December meeting, where he will be presenting the final 2024 budget for discussion and approval.
3. Club Manager's report: Bob reviewed special games for the 2024 calendar and asked that a decision be made about Longest Day early in the year, to facilitate planning. He plans to close the club Christmas week to have the carpets cleaned. He will move the Swiss team games to the second and fourth Mondays for January 2024 only, to allow for a possible pairs game on New Years Day, January 1. He also asked the board to think about possibly allowing directors to play free in games they are not directing.
4. Old business:
 - a) Judy reported calling the three players called earlier who said they might or would like to return, but they needed partners. She left messages for two and spoke to one who was definitely interested in guaranteed partners for the Tuesday and Thursday games. She will try again to reach the other two.
 - b) Michael reported that our three board nominees are Larry Coplin, Larry O'Maley, and Joe Shull. Since there are only three nominees for three open board positions, they are considered elected.
 - d) Phil reported that Dimi Cooklev has agreed to serve as the second Fort Wayne player on the Unit 154 board. Dimi has also agreed to take over the e-communications position as of 2024.
5. New business:
 - a) After discussion Carl moved, Helen seconded, giving our cleaning person Lori a \$250 holiday bonus this year.
 - b) After discussion, a person who has done a great deal for the FWDBC over the years was chosen for the Mike and Annamarie Bonahoom award, to be announced just before the December 13 game. Phil agreed to have the plaque made and Michael agreed to bring cookies for the celebration.
7. The meeting adjourned at 5:37 PM. The next board meeting will be on Wednesday, December 13 at 4:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Nelsen, Board Secretary