

FORT WAYNE DUPLICATE BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes, October 11, 2023

Board President Phil Eyermaun called the meeting to order at 4:42 PM. Other board members present were Deb Aschbacher, 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 and guest Director Gary Chaney. Absent: None

1. Michael moved, Helen seconded a motion to accept the September 13, 2023 board meeting minutes. Motion carried.

2. After discussion Joe moved, Dimi seconded a motion to accept the October Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

3. Club Manager's report: Bob reported he will purchase the new modem for the cell phone soon. He has begun selling club memberships for 2024. All matters concerning the departure of Redeemer Radio have been dealt with.

4. Old business:

a) Bob reported that after calling former players who have not returned, Sharon Graber identified three who might or would like to return, but they need partners. Phil agreed to contact them to let them know about guaranteed partners (as long as they don't have too many masterpoints) for the Tuesday and Thursday games.

b) Joe Kohne has agreed to serve as Chair of the 2023 Election committee.

c) Michael, Chair of the Nominating Committee, reported he has at least three candidates for the board and possibly another. He will continue to search for a candidate who might become board treasurer.

d) Phil reviewed the document he had passed out on different club leadership positions and their duties.

e) Amy reported that the person she spoke to about getting a defibrillator for the club suggested not doing so as in a medical emergency, we would be better off calling 911 with a fire department so close. He also wondered if players or directors trained to use a defibrillator would remember how if it were not needed for long periods. He suggested perhaps some might be trained to do CPR instead. Phil agreed to look further into this matter.

f) We decided not to raise the directors' fees at this time and discussed other possible new budget items.

5. New business:

a) Gary reported on his plans to modify the Thursday game to play fewer boards and increase the time for each round so that a qualified North player could discuss the hands with mentees and answer their questions. A post-game Q & A session would also be held after the game for those interested.

b) Phil noted the need for another Fort Wayne player to serve on the Unit 154 board as Stan Davis won't be completing his term. Phil is our other representative. Anyone interested should contact Phil.

7. The meeting adjourned at 5:39 PM. The next board meeting will be on Wednesday, November 8 at 4:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Nelsen, Board Secretary