

FORT WAYNE DUPLICATE BRIDGE ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes, April 10, 2024

Board President Phil Eyermaun called the meeting to order at 4:52 PM. Other board members present were Deb Aschbacher, Michael Clegg, Dimi Cooklev, Larry O'Maley, Helen Ryan and ex-officio non-voting member Club Manager Bob Enyeart. Absent: Larry Coplin, Amy Kelly and Joe Shull.

1. Minutes: Michael moved and Helen seconded that the March 13, 2024 Board Meeting minutes be accepted. Motion carried
2. Treasurer's Report: Larry presented the March Treasurer's Report. Michael moved and Dimi seconded the motion to accept the March Treasurer's report. Motion carried.
3. Club Manager's Report: It was decided that the Fort Wayne Community Harvest Food Bank would be the Club's Charity for April Charity Month.
4. Old Business:
 - a. Michael led a discussion on the possible dates for a May, June or July 2025 Club Sectional Tournament and a possible August 2025 Regional Tournament to be held at Trine University. More details to follow on both possible tournaments.
 - b. Changes to the Constitution & Bylaws and Standing Rules status will be discussed at the May 2024 Board Meeting. Changes will be complete and presented to the Board for approval prior to the Annual Meeting to be held on July 10, 2024.
5. New Business:
 - a. Gary previously emailed a PKBA update. The 2024 classes will be offered Thursday Morning and Thursday evening. Joe Shull will teach the morning class and Michael Clegg will teach the evening class. Helen Ryan has volunteered to assist in both classes. To mitigate cash flow from the PKBA account for textbooks, advertising and instructor stipends, the class fee has been raised from \$25/class to \$50/class. Any class participant 20 years of age or younger will have free tuition for any and all classes. Flyers advertising the 2024 classes have been distributed to 19 locations throughout the greater Fort Wayne area. Advertising is included in the Journal-Gazette 4 days each week for the month of April at a cost of \$1,262.88. The PKBA account balance as of April 4, 2024 is \$9,068.04. The original 2023 Class had 23 participants: 2 play weekly and 5 play occasionally. All members of the original class have been invited to attend for free any and all 2024 classes.
 - b. A discussion was held regarding the new format of the Thursday Mentor game. Some members of the Club are unhappy with the new format stating they feel the instructions/explanations are too basic. It was the opinion of the Board that the new format is good. Phil agreed to discuss with Gary.
6. The meeting adjourned at 5:19 PM. Next meeting will be Wednesday, May 8 at 4:45 PM.

Respectively submitted,

Deb Aschbacher
Board Secretary