

ADOBE BRIDGE CLUB
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SEPTEMBER 22, 2023

The meeting was held via Zoom. President Pam Krisak called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. In the absence of Mike Barry, David Pearlman served as Acting Secretary.

Directors Pam Krisak, Ram Sundaresan, Barry Abrahams, Eric Swanson, David Pearlman, and Hal Gensler attended. Directors Mike Barry, Pat Klein and Debbie Keller did not attend.

Minutes

Pam noted that draft minutes had been circulated before the meeting and moved that they be accepted. Barry seconded, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

August Financial Statements

Ram reported that net income for August was negative, due to the large annual expense for liability and umbrella insurance. He also noted that a recent ACBL change allowing individuals to participate in any online club game they wish may impact revenue from the Duncan Alliance negatively. As of the end of August the club's year to date positive net income was approximately \$19,000, of which approximately \$16,000 was from Duncan, so any negative impact could be significant. Ram stressed the need for additional revenue going forward, and suggested raising table fees might be appropriate.

Ram also noted that the 2022 tax statement filing had yet to be completed, and that he expected no problems getting it filed by the November due date.

Upon motion duly made by Pam and seconded by Barry, the financials were unanimously accepted as presented.

Club Management and Facilities

Eric reported that some maintenance issues with the main building had been completed and that others in progress were all moving forward satisfactorily. He noted some damage due to vandalism of the club's security cameras by thrown rocks. He will explore ways to safeguard the cameras.

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Ethics and Conduct

David noted that no issues had been brought to his attention since the last meeting.

Education

Larry Hudgens' upcoming classes are sold out. Barbara Rosenthal's current round of classes for beginners has been well attended, and she will begin another set in October.

Fundraising

Pam reported that one hundred Jim Click raffle tickets had been sold. Starting in mid-October the club will make a push to increase sales before the raffle drawing.

Ram will investigate using Zelle as an alternate method for purchasing tickets.

Unit Liaison

David reported he and Pam had been involved in numerous discussions concerning a Unit Wide Championship for those with under 1500 masterpoints to be held on October 26 at Small Slams, Tucson Charity Bridge, and Adobe. Pam will work on publicizing the game to attract the five tables needed to make it valid and will offer a signup that is independent of the signups for other games at Adobe.

David also reported that he has become a member of the Board of Unit 356.

Old Business

Pam noted that she was still having trouble recruiting members for the Nominating and Election Committees. On the plus side, it appears we may have enough candidates to fill the board seats at the upcoming election. She said the date of the Annual Meeting would likely be November 16.

New Business

Pam stated that Debbie Keller and Barry Abrahams have volunteered to serve if the board were to establish a Strategic Planning Committee. Barry said he would contact another person he would like to recruit to serve. The Board concurred that this committee should be established.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly made by Barry and seconded by Eric, the meeting was adjourned at 9:51 a.m.

David J. Pearlman
Acting Secretary