

SLO Duplicate Bridge Club

Board of Directors

Minutes – March 17th, 2023

Present: Jack Luxton – President; Linda Siefert- Vice President; Don Alderman –Treasurer; Jan Crossley; Pat Delamontanya; Bill Donovan; Gail Lapins.; Rose Will; John Fields (Club Manager)

Senior Center and Zoom meeting

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action	Person responsible	Date Completed
I. Minutes of last meeting	Minutes from 02/17/2023 approved.	Approved	JL	
II Treasurers Report	<p>Income 02/01/2023 to 02/28/2023 \$1,516. (By table count) Expenses \$ 1,640. Net Loss - \$ 124. Total in account: \$6,162. checking account Union Bank. Treasury Direct: \$15,000. (CD paying 4.72 % interest, renews 6/1) Total Assets: \$21,162.</p> <p>February Table counts: SLO Bridge – 60 (with 21 Free Plays) Unit Game – 10</p> <p>Next month's report will show \$350 from the Unit for advertising share and in a future month \$500 from ACBL to reimburse advertising.</p> <p>Concern was raised about continuing loss, and it was decided that future Income & Expense statements would have an additional column for fiscal year to date Income & Expense, i.e., October 1, 2022 – March 31, 2023</p> <p>Request made to discuss increasing table fees at next meeting.</p>	<p>Information</p> <p>Update format</p> <p>For Agenda</p>	<p>DA</p>	

<p>III. Old Business</p> <p>A. Timetable for the year</p>	<p>The timetable for the next quarter was reviewed. Suggestions included moving the Pro-Am game to Friday, April 21, having a team game Monday, June 12th, and a team game Friday, October 6, which would be a Club Appreciation game with .25 gold point awards. Welcome Back to Bridge (Mon/Fri-see below) to be added to May Calendar 5/8 & 5/12. Calendar should be circulated in a readable format – Don to work with John on format changes to larger format.</p> <p>Linda explained that Rosemary, the Unit’s Marketing Chair, would be gathering all the calendar information from the clubs and Unit. Then she would distribute the quarterly master calendar via emails monthly to the Unit membership. It was agreed that the SLO Board would also send the SLO DBC calendar to our mailing list periodically.</p> <p>The upcoming Pro-Am game was discussed. Gail suggested Pros have 500+ points and Ams fewer than 500 points. 2 weeks before the game, an email needs to be sent encouraging players to sign up, then the Wednesday before the game, a random pairing would be done, and pairs notified, so they can discuss their agreements before the game. Gail suggested that Pros should be encouraged to follow up with their Am partners after the game.</p> <p>Gail presented a draft flyer for Welcome Back to Bridge Week proposed for May 8-13th. Invites those players who haven’t played in the past few years to play for free that week. Idea is to have AG and Unit game included and for a free lunch to be provided at all the games that week. Gail recommended an email blast to the Unit’s 375-person email list, pending Unit approval.</p>	<p>Calendar to be updated</p> <p>Send SLODBC Calendar to our members</p> <p>Send Pro-Am reminder by 4/7</p> <p>Draft to BOD for comments</p>	<p>JF / DA</p> <p>DA / JF</p> <p>GL</p> <p>GL</p>	
<p>B. Update on Tom Snow Bridge Lessons & 199er game</p>	<p>Gail reported that Monday lessons need at least 9 players to play in limited section to break even. Had 8 players which worked well with 2 table Howell movement but need to increase number of tables in play. Efforts are in progress by Tom Snow to encourage his Wednesday group and Gail is encouraging mentoring group through emails.</p>	<p>Keep on agenda</p>	<p>GL</p>	

<p>C. Weekly emails to members</p> <p>D. Corrections to scores after games</p> <p>E. Member appreciation day</p> <p>F. SLODBC Secretary</p>	<p>It was noted that some members were not receiving weekly emails. Confirmed that emails go out every Friday, a suggestion was made to have a longer look ahead period – what is coming up in the next 2 weeks. Gail also requested that Tom Snow’s Monday bridge lessons also be added each time.</p> <p>Agreed to maintain limiting corrections to game scores to 8 pm that day. John indicated that it is not a firm deadline, but rather a guideline so that players review and report discrepancies in a timely manner. John will still accept corrections sent in after that time, if they affect the score.</p> <p>It was agreed that John should announce, at games, that all players should check the scoring sheets issued in the last round before leaving.</p> <p>Tabled for future meeting.</p> <p>Appointment of SLODBC secretary Jan Crossley approved.</p>	<p>Update format</p> <p>Keep on agenda</p> <p>Approved</p>	<p>JF</p> <p>JF</p>	
<p>IV. New Business</p>	<p>Following a discussion of board policy regarding use of our email list, the Board voted on a proposal to limit access to the email list to specifically bridge playing events. The proposal carried 5 in favor, 2 against and 1 abstention.</p>	<p>Approved</p>		
<p>V. Any other business</p>	<p>There was no other business.</p>			

Meeting Adjourned @ 12:10 pm Next Meeting April 21 st 2023				

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