

## Welwyn Garden City Bridge Club (WGCBC)

### Minutes of committee meeting held on 16 March 2017

Present: Gary Ames, Berwyn Aston, Steve Cane, John Eyre, Sheila Gabriel, Bill Gordon, Jeff Green (Chairman), Rodger Livesey, John Phalp.

1. Apologies: Jo Childs, Ian Greig, Srimath Agalawatte, Frances Wilson.
2. Approval of minutes from last meeting and matters arising.
  - 2.1 Minutes of the last meeting were approved.
  - 2.2 A new format will be trialled for the Xmas party. For one week every normal session will have refreshments provided. There will be 21 boards and a stand-in pair arranged if possible to avoid a sit out. Members will then be asked which format they prefer.
  - 2.3 BA volunteered to take the minutes for the next meeting.
  - 2.4 JG and BA volunteered to sell raffle tickets for the quiz.
  - 2.5 FW's list of proposed members was approved.
3. Club room thefts.
  - 3.1 Items have gone missing from the annex. Action is to ensure door is kept shut, and if there is no improvement, to change the code. GB to inform TDs.
4. Club charities
  - 4.1 £50 to each of the three charities supported by Felix Green.
  - 4.2 £100 EBU prize to Isabel Hospice.
  - 4.3 Committee to discuss which charity to support next year.
5. Approval for changes to rules (SG paper).
  - 5.1 Paper approved.
  - 5.2 Both Conduct and Disciplinary committees to comprise 3-5 members including the relevant chair.
6. Levels for club sessions (SG paper).
  - 6.1 Paper approved.
  - 6.2 Thursday am session now level 2 which includes Precision. JG to tell Margaret.
7. First aiders at club sessions.
  - 7.1 GLL are sending their emergency procedures. These will replace the existing guidance.
  - 7.2 Club to purchase face shield for use by qualified first aiders if they happen to be at an event where one is needed. To be progressed by CR.
8. Approval Fast-track Bridge (GA paper).
  - 8.1 GA/SG declared an interest.
  - 8.2 Agreed to proceed and to delegate financial matters to JG/JE.
  - 8.3 JG/SG/GA/JC to meet soon to discuss marketing.
9. Publicity update.
  - 9.1 Item postponed in JC's absence.
10. Tournament update.
  - 10.1 Item postponed in IG's absence.
11. GLL update.
  - 11.1 Refer minutes of 16 March 2017 meeting attached herewith.
12. Club room equipment update.
  - 12.1 Item postponed in CR's absence.
  - 12.2 JG to seek someone from outside the committee to work with him to progress the carpet purchase.
13. Table numbers update (GB paper).
  - 13.1 Agreed to table this item once every 6 months commencing July 2017.
14. A and B flight teams (BG paper).
  - 14.1 Proposals agreed - IG to draft implementation paper for next meeting.
  - 14.2 Commence next season.
  - 14.3 Agreed that there should be automatic promotion and relegation every 3 or 4 months.
  - 14.4 Agreed to stop the practice of absent A flight team's replacement by a B flight team.
  - 14.5 Team captains to have an opportunity to comment on the implementation paper.
  - 14.6 JG thanked the sub-committee.

- 14.7 JG to advise Mike Sint.
- 15. Pairs league (Srimath Agalawatte's paper).
- 15.1 Agreed sub-committee to be formed including SA/IG/JE/Malcolm Harris?
- 15.2 JG thanked SA.
- 16. Chief TD (JE paper).
- 16.1 Agreed in principle that a Chief TD should be appointed.
- 17. TD courses.
- 17.1 Some Members were suggested and they will be approached.
- 18. AOB - none.

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### **Minutes of the meeting held 16 March 2017 with Greenwich Leisure Limited (GLL)**

Representing the WGCBC: Jeff Green, Steve Cane, John Eyre, Sheila Gabriel.

Representing GLL: David Hutchinson

1. 3 phases of building work confirmed including the gym, trampoline park and reception. The initial focus is to create additional revenue to reinvest in GSP.
2. Craig Woodward and DH to meet Membership Fee Sub-committee. Craig is responsible for proposing the future of the Sports Hall.
3. Invoicing problems have been resolved.
4. The roof leak has stopped.
5. DH to send JG GLL's Emergency Briefing paper.
6. DH will meet Roy Button soon to discuss various equipment improvements.
7. Both the electrical socket and the stadium side light problems have been fixed.
8. There will be an air conditioning service on 21 March.
9. GLL still looking at catering provision and considering in-house.
10. National seniors tennis competition soon are a marketing opportunity. DH to send JG details. Also worth trying over-50s tennis, skiing and badminton.
11. Balcony ashtrays are being cleaned twice a week.
12. Door stoppers are in place to assist disabled members. JG to write to disabled participant who complained about access.
13. GLL's insurance does not cover WGCBC's contents. JE to arrange insurance.
14. There are extra staff to police disabled parking.
15. The car park drainage problem will be fixed on 3 April.
16. On occasions children use the bar area as a base for their activities. Members should not use the toilets beyond the bar area in these circumstances.
17. Reminders will be sent for the payment of membership fees.
18. DH happy to get room painted prior to new carpet being laid.

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