

The meeting was called to order at 4:07 PM. Linda Grissom was absent; all other board members and the club manager were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Pat Kambourian gave the treasurer's report. Acknowledging the club has been overall losing money for some time, the board moved to increase the table fees to \$6, beginning 1 October 2016. The fee will be \$7 for special games. A warning will be posted on the bulletin board and on the club website. This motion passed by a 3:2 margin. In favor were Atwill, Jameson, and Kambourian; against were O'Connor and Wilson.

The policy that students taking classes in the morning play for half price in the afternoon was suggested as a possible problem in the club losing money. Several possibilities for amending this policy were discussed, but no motion was made. This discussion was tabled for a later meeting.

Sharon O'Connor gave the Membership and Publicity Committee report. Name tags have been researched and a prototype was ordered for Board President Kate Stewart. If the name tags are found acceptable, they will be ordered for all directors and board members. The club will also offer to supplement club members in purchasing their own name tags. Details of this offer will be made public at a later date.

Jared Boulds gave the Education Committee report. Ken Badertscher will continue to teach on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. The next series includes a course on Advanced Cardplay (text: The Rodwell Files) and Advanced Counting (text: Countdown to Winning Bridge). Henry Buch will teach a course on Major Suit Raises on Thursday mornings during the summer; dates are yet to be determined. Dev De Lucia will not teach Friday classes over the summer due to the expectation of low enrollment and travel plans; he will resume Friday morning classes in the fall. Jud Jones will begin teaching the Wednesday morning class using a different format, a description of which is available on the club website. Barbara Rosenthal will not teach this summer but will resume in fall.

Marian Wilson gave the Conduct and Ethics Committee report. Two individuals were discussed. When a final disciplinary decision is made, the individuals will be identified and select details of the decision will be posted on the club bulletin board, as per the committee's recommendation.

Claudette Perier gave the Hospitality Committee report. Barbara Rosenthal's Tuesday morning class seems to be benefiting from Claudette's email campaign offering to find and match partners for 749ers for Tuesday morning and afternoon.

The mentor program was discussed. There is a need for more mentors. Two new policies were passed regarding the mentor program. First, mentors and mentees will be stratified based on their average masterpoints. Second, life masters will no longer be allowed to have mentors. Both motions passed unanimously, with Atwill, Jameson, Kambourian, O'Connor, and Wilson all in favor.

Jared Boulds gave the club manager's report. Upcoming events include a potluck for Memorial day (30 May), the Worldwide Bridge Contest (4 June), an unspecified event for the Longest Day (20 June), and a potluck for Independence day (4 July).

Charity update: In support of the Longest Day and ACBL's partnership with the Alzheimer's Association, a motion was made for June's local charity games to fund the Alzheimer's Association. This motion passed with all in favor. Therapeutic Riding of Tucson (TROT) received \$620 from April charity games and the ACBL's charity foundation received \$248. Due to ACBL's Grass Roots Fund month, we cannot hold charity games in May.

A discussion was held regarding certain players who show up consistently without partners and expecting to play. The club manager was asked to show preference towards playing with persons who are new to town or those who rarely are in need of a partner.

A discussion was held regarding special seating requests, other than those that require a stationary seating for medical reasons. Of specific interest were people who ask for a specific table number or those who refuse to play against certain opponents. There was a general consensus that refusal to play against a certain player is on the order of a Zero Tolerance violation. Helen Atwill left during this discussion. A motion was made to allow the director of the day to grant these seating requirements at his discretion, provided the special seating is possible. This motion passed with Wilson abstaining; all else in favor.

Kate Stewart explained details of the calculation used to determine Jared's bonus for the November 2015 – February 2016 quarter. Jared's contract as club manager was also discussed. Several paragraphs were indicated as needing clarification. This matter was tabled and a committee will be appointed for this purpose at a later date.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:42. The board will meet again on 1 June 2016.