

NCBA Management Committee

Minutes of Committee Meeting 8th November 2023

Action

0. Meeting
Meeting was held via Zoom. Thank-you to Nicki for setting it up at short notice.
Present:
Bill Chadwick (Chair), Rob Miller (Vice Chair), Ross Stacey (Treasurer), Tim Durdin (Secretary), Gary Upton (League Sec.), Trevor Thrower (County Selector & EBU Shareholder), Mark Tilley (Competitions Sec.), Nicki Bainbridge (Rugby), Jane Reeve (Stamford), Derek Wright (Towcester), Graham Dolby (Kettering), Brian Harrison (Orton).
1. Apologies – none received.
2. Minutes of the previous meeting- *agreed* as a true record.
3. Matters arising, not covered under other agenda items -none.
4. Correspondence – none received.
5. Chairman’s Report
Bill has communicated his appointment to the Chairs of the clubs.
Bill has set up an NCBA WhatsApp group - please supply Bill with your mobile number if you wish to be added to it.
The NCBA web-site needs a flow of content to be generated so that it remains relevant.
Bill will report back on EBU plans for a 2024 EBU Festival Of Bridge.
Bill recommended that all read the EBU’s Best Practice for County Associations document (posted on NCBA WhatsApp group).
6. Treasurer’s Report
Ross circulated the report prior to the meeting, no issues arising.
7. League Secretary’s Report.
Captains should update the EBU website with team names & fixture dates. **Captains**
Gary will monitor League status to ensure progress.
8. County Selector’s Report.
County match vs Herts – narrow win for A team, draw for B team, big loss for the C team.
We need a greater pool of county players if the C team is to be maintained. **Club reps**
Trevor will send a message to county members to encourage participation. **Trevor**
9. County Calendar – updated on Web-site.
10. Competitions Report:
 - (a) Broke Cup & Betts Bowl 9 teams entered, draw made, 3 matches played.
 - (b) Lakeland and Kettering trophies Feb 18th at Northampton, discuss at next meeting.
 - (c) Eden Cup Feb 4th on Realbridge, discuss at next meeting.
 - (d) Green-pointed Swiss Pairs event. May 18th at Northampton. **Ross/Nicki**
11. EBU Shareholders report.
The Committee agreed to support Nicki Bainbridge & David Parry in their bids to be voted on to the EBU Committee, and then to the posts of Vice-Chair & Chair at the 29th Nov meeting.
Trevor plans to delegate the 2 EBU shares to Nicki and David as proxies.
12. Any Other Business - none.
13. Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 10th January 2024 at 6pm (Zoom).