

**Minutes of the North Bay Duplicate Bridge Club Executive Meeting  
Friday, March 11, 2022, at 9:30 am at Omond UC Annex.**

1. The meeting was called to order by Jim Lamorie at 09:35 am

Present: Andy Aitchison, Danielle Barry, Paul Bourassa, Gisele Lynch, Jim Lamorie, Jan Wood and Frank Turbach.

Absent with regrets: Richard Guillemette.

2. **Approval of Minutes:** the minutes of-Friday, February 11, 2022, were presented and accepted.

Moved by: Frank  
Seconded by: Gisele  
Carried

**3. Reports**

- a. **Treasurer:** Danielle/Richard

Balance on 31 Jan 2022	\$8,767.71	
Deposits	151.00	Table Receipts (Net) <sup>1</sup>
	100.00	Donation
Expenses/Cheques	(90.28)	Cogeco Internet and Phone Service
Balance on 28 Feb 2012	\$8,928.43	
Investments	\$21,5009.18	GIC
	5,143.44	GIC
Total	\$35,581.05	

1. Actual Table Receipts were \$191.0. Paul Bourassa paid a \$40.00 charge and The Engraving Shop to update our Life Master plaques. He was reimbursed for this payment with cash taken from Table Receipts leaving a net of \$151.00 for deposit

Please note that the Omond Memorial United Church did not cash our rent cheque #701 for \$2,000.00 for February 1, 2022.

Not included in the above is a check issued in 1 Mar 2022 to Knox Insurance I the amount of \$1,377.66 for coverage through to 1 October 2022

Moved by: Danielle  
Seconded by: Jan  
Carried

- b. **Chief Director:** Jim noted the following:

- i. we are down a director until Doug Omon returns
- ii. The church advised us that doors are left open when we leave. This includes the door facing the road. We never use that door and we always lock the doors at 1:00 pm. Jim said that church members enter the building and do not always lock the door when they leave.
- iii. A 'Security Sheet' will be prepared for game directors to sign to ensure doors are locked when leaving the building.
- iv. The church requires that we wear masks until at least April 27.
- v. We will advise members that complete vaccination is still required and that the snack bar remains closed. Please drink fluids in the hall.

- c. **Club Manager:** Andy noted the following:
  - i. We need 6 tables per game (roughly 125/month) to break even. Jim will ask Richard to provide total table counts quarterly.
  - ii. Jan noted that table counts are reported at the AGM.

4. **Suggestion Box:** Andy

- a. There was a request to move the tables closer to the centre as it is congested near the wall.

This was discussed and it was decided to move the shoe/boot cabinet to the wider part of the room.

This worked out quite well greatly reducing congestion during the Friday afternoon game

5. **Special Games and/or closures.**

- a. March 24-27 BBO/ACBL on-line regional
- b. April 4-10 Charity Week. 2 times regular club points.
- c. April 25-May1 Stardust Week-2 times regular club points 25% Gold and 75% Black

6. **Old Business**

- a. *Insurance Coverage:* Completed
- b. *Reopening Guidelines:* Extensive cleaning is not required. We will continue as is with Directors asking for help at end of game.
- c. *Electronic sign up* to be cancelled; but we will continue to use the signup sheets for all games (and please – if you’re going to play in the Swiss, sign up).
- d. A spare list will be put on the web site. Contact Andy to add your name.
- e. **Lease Renewal.** We extended and revised the lease until October 2022.

7. **New Business**

- a. Andy moved that we apply for a grant from the Ontario Government for up to \$10,000.00 to assist with lessons to help grow our club.

Moved by: Andy

Seconded by: Jim

Carried

This is a seniors community grant and is to be used by non-profit organizations. We will form a committee of Katie Hunter, Jan Wood and Danielle Barry. We felt this was worth investigating as it can be an excellent means to increase our club membership. We have until April 28, 2022, to apply and the grant must be used by March 31, 2023.

- b. *Excess equipment, chairs, and student boards:* Andy and Paul will inventory our holdings to determine what is surplus and report back to the Board.
- c. *Newsletter:* This was created during Covid to stay in touch with the membership. There was discussion as to the need for a Newsletter now that we are back to face-to-face play. It was decided that there was a need and Gisele volunteered to take over the project. Input from the membership will be welcomed
- d. *Coming Events:* We will put up a board to advertise coming events.
- e. We discussed the 0-299 and 0-500 games. Andy will provide a list of those who are under 500 master points. Gisele will call to see if they will come to open games.
- f. *Condolence Cards:* We need a new person to look after condolence cards. Gisele will put this out in her newsletter asking for volunteers.

- 8. The next meeting will be Friday, April 8, 2022, at 9:30 am.

- 9. Frank moved that we adjourn at 11:15 am.

Frank Turbach, Secretary