

Minutes of the North Bay Duplicate Bridge Club Executive Meeting Friday, April 21, 2023 at Omond UC .

1. The meeting was called to order by Andy Aitchison at 9:30 am.

Present: Andy Aitchison, Danielle Barry, Paul Bourassa, Richard Guillemette, Gisele Lynch, Jan Wood and Frank Turbach

Absent with regrets: Jim Lamorie.

2. **Approval of minutes:** the minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, March 21, 2023 were presented and accepted.

Moved by Frank Turbach
Seconded by Jan Wood
Carried

3. Reports

- a. **Treasurer:** Danielle.

The report is attached at the end of these minutes.

- b. **Chief Director: Jim**

No report

- c. **Club Manager: Andy**

Andy's points are addressed through the following items .

4. **Suggestion Box: Andy**

There were no Suggestions.

5. Special Games and/or closures for May/June

- a. **Victoria Day-22 May:** Game director will poll players to see if they want to play.

- b. **Club Championship May 15-19.**

- c. **Club Championship June 19-24**

- d. **Upgraded Club Championships:** There are still 2 left for this year.

6. Old Business

- a. **Rookie/ Master:** Frank and others

i. The rookie master game was held in the United Church Basement.

ii. There were 17 tables in play.

iii. This was the first such game since Covid.

iv. Overall, it was a huge success.

v. Andy Aitchison directed the game and since there were a lot of new players, he was available to assist anyone who needed help.

vi. The game was low key and people enjoyed themselves. They especially enjoyed playing in an area that was spacious.

vii. There were times when it was very noisy in the room.

viii. After the game a potluck supper of spaghetti was enjoyed. Mary Lepkan volunteered to plan the supper and she did a fantastic job.

ix. There were many different kinds of dessert available.

- x. The only issue was that several members had to cancel with short notice. The committee recommends that people who have to cancel make the first effort to find a replacement find a replacement.
- xi. The committee consisted of Andy Aitchison, Linda Frotten, Mary Lepkan, Frank Turbach and Jan wood.

7. New Business

- a. **Lessons have begun.** We had 14 new players on the first day and 4 more have since signed on. They are a good and friendly group and eager to learn. We will finish chapter 1 on Tuesday Apr 25. May 2nd will be the first half of Chapter 2. May 9th will be the second half. The first practice session will be on the 12th.
- b. **Open Game Bidding Issues:** Pending
- c. **AED training:** Pending
- d. **'Director for Local Sectional' courses have been announced:** These will be on-line consisting of 3 to 4 sessions. They would allow a club Director to run smaller Sectionals. ACBL directors would not be required.

If we follow through on this we would be able to run out Elks Club Sectional without an ACBL Tournament Director which would reduce the cost of such a tournament by some \$2500

- e. **Use of Cell Phones in the club:** It is ACBL policy that all cell phones should be turned off during game play. Making and/or placing calls is distracting to others and it slows the game. If a player were to use a cell phone during Sectional and higher rated tournaments, the Director would assess a penalty to the offending Pair or Team

We ask that all respect the police of "No Cell Phones" during a game and Directors are asked to remind players of the policy.

- f. **Next Social: (Jan):** The next social is planned for Wednesday, June 21. The regular game will be cancelled. A luncheon is planned, and social bridge will be played. Bridgmates will not be used. We will be encouraging other social groups in the area (members of IODE and Nipissing Ladies) to take part. Tickets will be sold for the game (one ticket will be good for four seat positions and the person purchasing the ticket must find three others to form a table). Ticket price will be determined later.
- g. **Rookie/Master Survey:** We have 38 replies so far. Comments have so been positive. The replies will be collated, and the final survey results will be reviewed by the Committee
- h. **Move to Lower Hall:** The move is planned for Saturday, April 29 starting at 9:00 am. The area must be ready for the Monday game. All volunteered help will be appreciated.

8. **Date of next meeting:** Tuesday, May 23rd at 4:00pm, after the Swiss game.

9. **Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 10:40 am.

Frank Turbach (secretary)

Treasurers Report as at Board Meeting of 21 Apr 2023

Previous Balance		8,799.65
Deposits		
Table Fees (thru 30 Mar '23)	3,452.75	
Table Fees (thru 11 Apr '23)	158.50	3,611.25
		12,410.90
Expenses		
Omond Rent	2,000.00	
ACBL Fees (Jan, Feb)	267.83	
CBF STaC Fees	148.00	
The Engraving Shoppe	12.39	
Cogeco	101.58	
Bank Fees	0.85	2,530.65
Current Balance		9,880.25

Notes:

1	Donations to the club:	828.00
2	Snack Table (ST) contributions:	86.90
	Profit for the reporting period was:	1,080.60
	Profit (excluding donations and ST) was:	165.70

Moved by Danielle
Seconded by: Andy
Carried

Income and Expense Generated from Game Play/Table Fees
Mar 2022

Event	Date	Tables	Table Rate	Additional Rate	Total Due ACBL	Charity
Thursday AM Novice	2023-03-02	3	0.87		2.61	
Thursday Afternoon 0-499	2023-03-02	3-1/2	1.50		5.24	
Friday Afternoon Open	2023-03-03	4	1.50		5.98	16.00
Monday Afternoon 0-299	2023-03-06	4-1/2	1.50		6.73	
Tuesday Afternoon Swiss	2023-03-07	10	1.50		14.96	
Thursday AM Novice	2023-03-09	2-1/2	0.87		2.18	
Thursday Afternoon 0-499	2023-03-09	3	1.50		4.49	
Friday Afternoon Swiss	2023-03-10	6	1.50		8.98	24.00
Monday Afternoon 0-299	2023-03-13	4-1/2	1.50		6.73	
Tuesday Afternoon Swiss	2023-03-14	9	1.50		13.46	
Thursday Afternoon 0-499	2023-03-16	3	1.50		4.49	
Thursday AM Novice	2023-03-16	3	0.87		2.61	
Friday Afternoon Swiss	2023-03-17	6	1.50		8.98	24.00
Monday Afternoon 0-299	2023-03-20	5	1.50		7.48	
Tuesday Afternoon Swiss	2023-03-21	9	1.50		13.46	
Thursday AM Novice	2023-03-23	2-1/2	0.87		2.18	
Thursday Afternoon 0-499	2023-03-23	4	1.50		5.98	
Friday Afternoon Swiss	2023-03-24	6	1.50		8.98	24.00
Thursday AM Novice	2023-03-30	2-1/2	0.87		2.18	
Total (19 games)		91			127.70	88.00

Income

Table Fees (@\$32.00/Table)	2480.00	
Table Fees (@\$24.00/Table)	324.00	
Charity Games (@\$4.00/Table)	88.00	2892.00

Costs/Expenses

Director Fees (@\$60.00/game)	180.00	
Director Fees (@\$45.00/game)	720.00	
ACBL fees	127.70	
Due to Rotary Club (Charity)	88.00	1115.70

Net from Games

1776.30

Notes: US exchange rate is \$1.36 (Cdn) to \$1.00 (US)
There are small rounding errors due to the conversions
Directors fee for 8+ table Swiss games is \$60.00
Director for for all other games is \$45.00