

St. Petersburg Bridge Club  
Board Meeting Minutes  
May 21, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Joanne Wharton at 4:08 p.m.

Board members attending: Joy Bradley, Lydia Jacobs, Linda Kneeburg, Claudia Leonardi, Adrienne Muslin, Phil Nolen, Anne Person, Carole Stone, John Wharton, and Judy Zebos. Also attending: Charles Gill, Club Manager and Carol Garnett.

Board member not in attendance: Lee Taylor.

1. On a motion by John, and second by Lydia, the minutes of the April 23, 2018 board meeting were approved as presented.
2. Financial Review  
John reported that April was a good month, up from 2017. Additionally, net income from January through April has increased as compared to 2017. The cash balance is good.
3. Club Manager's Report
  - a. Club Statistics – May is up 15% from 2017. Club table count for the year to date has also increased. The Club's rank in table count has increased in all three measures: ACBL, District and Unit.
  - b. June Special Events and Calendar  
The calendar is full. There will be a "Purple Party" and charity game Saturday, June 9. Bridge Camp is scheduled for the week of June 18.
  - c. The Longest Day Party – "Purple Party". The hospitality Committee to coordinate. Members will be asked to contribute hors d'oeuvres and wine.
  - d. Miss Manners Seminar  
To be given by Paul Freidman on May 23 at 11 a.m. One hour, no charge.
  - e. 499er Tournament – No discussion.
  - f. Calendar for 2018 – No discussion.
  - g. Teaching Status – Winding down for the summer. Schedule to resume in September. Andrew Garnett to present "Thinking Bridge" on June 11. Cost is \$15.
4. Old Business
  - a. Bridge Reference Decks – Dar Webb is developing a new deck, Rules and Guidelines. She hopes to have it ready for publication by August.
  - b. Parking/Lawyer Letter – Discussed and still being pursued.

- c. Fundraising – A few more donations have been received. Total is slightly over \$20,000.
  - d. Sign in Procedures  
The change to collect money at the table is going well.  
An automated registration system was presented and discussed. On a motion by Phil, with a second by Joy, the Club will buy and install the necessary items to have an automated registration system. This includes the purchase of software at \$100 per year, two wireless, smart televisions at approximately \$600 each plus installation, and hiring a software consultant at \$20 per hour for an estimate of less than 8 hours. The full system to cost approximately \$2,000. The motion carried.
  - e. Bridge Camp – Beginning June 18 for one week. Charles to promote the camp.
  - f. Procedures Manual – Charles and Joanne to begin with Tournament Procedures.
5. New Business
- a. Review Membership Procedures – Adrienne and Carole to review procedures and investigate Pianola, a web based system to aid bridge clubs.
  - b. Kitchen – Pest control. Possible termites in the kitchen cabinets. To be investigated further and treated if necessary.
  - c. Defining purpose of donated funds – Improve sign in procedures, maintenance touch-ups, possible space reconfiguration, and reduce debt.
  - d. July 1 Loan Repayment – Discussed. Decision to be made at the June board meeting.
6. Other
- a. Claudia – Questions about space reconfiguration. Discussed.
  - b. Lydia will take the minutes in June in Anne's absence.
  - c. Joanne announced the In Between Club is hosting an 8 is Enough Team League over the summer. Flyers are available.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Anne Person, Secretary