

St. Petersburg Bridge Club
Board Meeting Minutes
August 20, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Joanne Wharton at 4:15 p.m.

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

Board members not in attendance: Lydia Jacobs, Claudia Leonardi, and Lee Taylor.

1. On a motion by Phil, and second by John, the minutes of the July 23, 2018 board meeting were approved as presented.
2. Financial Review
John reported that it was a good month compared to the prior year. The year to date report is nearly the same as 2017. The cash on hand is almost the same as 2017 even with \$20,000 paid toward the debt.
3. Club Manager's Report
 - a. Club Statistics – The Club did well in July. August is expected to slightly down as compared to 2017. September is anticipated to be a good month.
 - b. September Special Events and Calendar
Pat McCully Memorial Team Game September 8
GNT Qualifier Swiss Team September 13
499er Tournament on September 20, 22, and 23.
Learn Bridge in a Day held September 29 at 10 a.m.
 - c. September Event will be the Pat McCully Memorial Team Game
 - d. Labor Day Tournament – Dina Oertili will be available to assist.
 - e. 499er Tournament – previously discussed.
 - f. Learn Bridge in a Day – Merry Schainblatt to present.
 - g. Unit 128 Club Championship Team Game September 30.
 - h. Teaching Status – Andrew Garnett will hold “Thinking Bridge” on Mondays beginning September 10. Merry Schainblatt will have Competitive Bidding on Wednesdays. Additionally, she will hold Beginner Classes starting in October. Diane Wharen to resume Hand Analysis on Fridays beginning in September.
 - i. Calendar for 2018 – No discussion.
4. Old Business

- a. Bridge Reference Decks – Orders have been received and shipped to Baron Barclay. Additionally, Rules and Guidelines, will be in the Baron Barclay fall catalogue. Orders already received.
 - b. Parking/Lawyer Letter – Discussed and still being pursued.
 - c. Sign in Procedures – Joanne provided on the job training for the Monday, Wednesday, Friday directors for two weeks. Approximately eight to nine tables in both the regular and limited games preregister. Some players are still having trouble signing in on-line. North is responsible for the accuracy of the game fee total collected at the table. Once sign in procedures are working well, a consultant will be hired for the implementation of the television displays.
 - d. Procedures Manual -- No progress.
 - e. Membership Procedures – No progress. Topics will include membership sign up and renewal, identification of non-members for additional game fee or membership. Carole has been contacting members delinquent in dues. In December, membership renewal information will be at the tables. On a motion by Phil, with a second by Joy, new members joining the Club in October or November, dues will be \$10 for the remainder of the calendar year. New members joining the Club in December, dues will be \$20, and include the following year. The motion carried.
 - f. Use of robots – for future discussion.
 - g. Mold – None observed behind sound panel. Phil will research who to call and obtain an estimate to investigate. He will also contact the AC service about treating the system with chlorox, vinegar or other fungicide.
5. New Business
- a. Memorial Games – currently for Bob Saron, Jack Batcheller, Pat McCully and Jimmy Nichols. Discussion as to how to proceed with future memorials. Anne and Lee to present a plan for a game to honor and recognize deceased members.
 - b. Reconfiguration – Joanne Leverone will be asked for assistance. Phil to also help with the design and management of the project. Requirements of the space need to be identified and prioritized.
 - c. Lost and Found – After notification to the membership, items will be donated to charity. Peter Peng to deliver to We Serve St. Pete.
 - d. Charity for 2019– After discussion, the charity for 2019 will remain the Suncoast Voices for Children.
 - e. Christmas/Holiday Party – Saturday, December 8
Annual Meeting – Saturday, January 26

The meeting was adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Anne Person, Secretary

