

FORT LAUDERDALE BRIDGE CLUB
Minutes of the Board of Governors Meeting
October 1, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President Allen Bozek at 4:12pm. In attendance were: Judy Halloran, Ken Wagner, Harvey Hoffenberg, David Kupperman, Harvey Simon, Paul Jacobson and Trudy Bell.

The minutes of the Board Meeting on September 3, 2018 were submitted and approved.

Treasurer's Report

David Kupperman submitted the following reports (attached):

Statement of Activity January-September 2018

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After discussion, there was a Motion to Approve the reports, seconded and passed.

President's Report – Allen Bozek

We need to appoint a Vice President as a result of the resignation of Marie-Alice Fombrun. David Kupperman has agreed to assume that position. He has discussed a replacement of the position of Treasurer with Michael Schneider, who has agreed to become our Treasurer.

Motion to Accept the Resignation of David Kupperman as Treasurer, seconded and passed.

Motion to Appoint David Kupperman as Vice President, seconded and passed.

Motion to Appoint Michael Schneider as Treasurer, seconded and passed.

There has been a lack of enforcement of the club's agreement concerning responsibilities of the holders of keys to the club. The President requests Board approval for his enforcement of the key policy. Motion to Adopt the Key Agreement Form and the President is responsible to distribute keys and enforce the agreement by collecting fees for lost keys.

Report (attached) on Barbeque held on Labor Day, 69 tickets sold @ \$7.00. Total players 108.

Report (attached) on Luau held on August 6th. 38 tickets sold @ \$5.00. Total players 76.

Manager's Report – Emilio Lopez

- 1) Report is attached to these Minutes.
- 2) Membership Dues for 2019 begins today. Payment can be made by cash, check or credit card.

Committee Reports

Charity – Dale Jacobson reported that beginning October 31, we will have a Food Drive for Thanksgiving to benefit the Pantry of Broward County. Beginning November 23, we will have a Holiday Drive. For the benefit of Alzheimer's, it is suggested that we again join with Quick Tricks and have two days (June 17 and 18, 2019) as our Longest Day event, pending approval of both clubs' Boards. Motion to Participate with Quick Tricks in Longest Day events on June 17-18, 2019 for the benefit of Alzheimer's, seconded and passed. Additional discussion concerning local charities that we can support, to be further evaluated by the committee.

Decorating – no report. Pumpkins, ghosts, and the spider are out, together with fall foliage.

Grievance and Ethics – no report.

Events – Dale Jacobson (reporting for Bella Ionis-Sorren) Upcoming events are:

10/24 – (Joint with Quick Tricks) Individual Game with Autumn Desserts

10/31 – Halloween Costume contest – Gold Points (12:30 game)
Mentor Night game

11/22 – Thanksgiving Dinner – discussion was held regarding necessity for same, requesting volunteers to assist with this project. Rosemary Boden agreed to help. Motion to Have a Thanksgiving Meal and bridge game on November 22, seconded and passed.

12/31 - (Joint with Quick Tricks) Monday night – New Years Eve. Plans are progressing.

House – Allen Bozek reported that roof scupper extensions were added. Air conditioner #4 required repair for coolant leak. The cost was \$472.50. This a/c may need replacing. We have an estimate of \$7,900.

Insurance – no report.

Marketing/Publicity – no report.

Membership – Robin Kupperman requested assistance by the Board to man a table at the front door to collect dues for 2019.

Nominating Committee – David Kupperman. There are now 7 candidates for the 5 positions to be filled on the Board of Governors for 2019. Ken Wagner volunteered to be a candidate as his term is ending in December. The candidates are: Michelle Ezray, Sandra Gordon, M.P. Gupta, Paul Jacobson, Loretta Neff, Michael Schneider, Ken Wagner.

Suggestions – Trudy Bell – we have a request that there be a second 0-1000 game during the week (not just Friday). Discussion that we are more in need of additional limited games, e.g., 0-100 or 0-300, which the Club Manager may present during the Season.

Teaching – Rosemary Boden reported that Neil Silverman has agreed to present his series of lessons in January, probably on Monday mornings. There will be a new event “Ask a Pro” after each weekday game. A Silver Life Master (or higher) will be available to answer questions from the less experienced players. Textbooks are now available for purchase at discounted prices. The Mentor Program continues to be well attended.

Unfinished Business

Judy Halloran reported that Edgar Hift agreed to demonstrate the use of the defibrillator for the members of the club that would like to learn about it.

New Business

Sandy Gordon brought up the situation regarding inconsistent enforcement of the no-cellphone policy. Discussion with Club Manager that it is his responsibility to see that the policy is enforced by all the Directors.

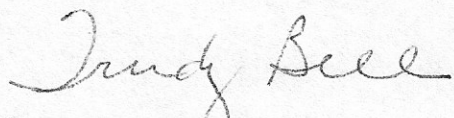
Keith Gellman announced his concern with the stratification for one particular Open game in which there were only 9 tables in each direction, and the computer's stratification had four well known A players now playing as B's. He announced after realizing the computers' needs to make the cut-offs suitable to those who are in attendance that day, that in a small (less than 9 table) game, it might be impossible for the most equitable stratification. Having said that, he switched gears, following up on the earlier remarks, that he's concerned there are not enough games for beginners to graduate to, once they are forced out of the 0-20 games. He said we're doomed if we don't grow the club, quoting membership of 1200 when he joined in 2004, and 400 today.

He urged Emilio and the board to reconsider the strata of the daily limited games, and/or to try to insure more places for newbies to play upon graduating from their 0-20 games.

Next Board of Governors meeting on Monday, November 5th.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:14pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Trudy Bell, Secretary