

Adobe Bridge Center  
Regular Board Meeting  
August 18, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 4PM via Zoom. Barry Abrahams presiding.

In attendance were board members Barry Abrahams, Pam Krisak, Julie O'Neill, Pauline Pettinato, Ram Sundaresan and Club Manager, Lee Erdman. Claudette Perier, Joan Merrill and Eric Swanson were absent.

Pauline Pettinato offered to be secretary for the session.

Ram Sundaresan motioned to accept the July 21, 2020 Meeting Minutes, seconded by Pauline Pettinato and motion passed.

### **Manager's Report - Lee Erdman**

#### **BBO Games-**

A summary of table counts for Adobe and NW was provided. There has been little change in the overall number of games. NLM games are 40% of the total and have good participation. The participation in the Play and Learn games on Tuesday and Saturday remains low but as these game are for beginning players and future players in the larger games, no change is being considered at this time. The Open game participation is averaging 10 tables.

Discussion followed on why this number is stagnant, NW doing a better marketing job?, C Strats too high? Adobe is a more competitive game? Why are so many Adobe players NOT playing online? Again members are encouraged to contact the "absent" players and encourage their playing online.

As a result an ACBL procedure change, games held simultaneously can combine table counts which will allow for more Masterpoints to be awarded.

**Adobe will add 299 games on Tuesday and Thursday to run parallel with the open games with one director for both games. This will start August 25th, a "blast" announcing the change will go out soon.**

#### **New Features from ACBL**

See table count change above.

MP awards will be handled by ACBL resolving some issues from the past.

Robots will no longer get Masterpoints.

#### **Tucson Alliance**

The Tucson Alliance Sunday Game agreement has evolved to merely cover the 1st Sunday of a month is an Adobe game and the 3rd Sunday is a North West game.

2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays are completely open.

The September 6th Games will be an Open and a 299er.

#### **Building Maintenance**

The Pigeon problem which had caused the roof to leak in the kitchen is being resolved 8/25.

Hopefully, cleaning and screening will keep most of the pigeons away.

The water leaks and electric meter adjustment have been taken care of.

#### **Committee Reports**

##### **Conduct and Ethics:**

The Slow play of an individual has been addressed by a letter from Barry.

The Directors have received a few questions with regard to pairs possibly cheating. At this time directors are monitoring their play.

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**Education:** Classes are doing well and the 3rd largest revenue source for the club.

**Nominating Committee** - Barry

Barbie Corbett will be chair.

Claudette Perier and Julie O'Neil will not be returning.

Barry Abrahams and Ram Sundaresan will be running for another term.

Therefore **we are looking for a least 2 new candidates.** We are also continuing to look for a NLM representative.

As meetings are currently conducted via Zoom and may for an indefinite period, "Snowbirds" can be/should be encouraged to run for the board.

**Member Eligibility**

Since board members need to be Adobe Club members, a discussion ensued on how to change the current Bylaw with regard to eligibility.

The issues is members need to attend 20 games "at the club".

The following motion was made by Barry and seconded

For the purpose of membership, any game played at the physical club location or in an Adobe specified virtual game, which is ACBL sanctioned, shall be counted as being "at the club".

Due to not having a quorum, the vote will be by email. **\*\*\*The motion passed.\*\*\***

**July Financials** - Ram Sundaresan

The financial reports were sent out previously by Ram. We are in a good position. The games are covering our monthly costs. The reserves are in tact. It is highly likely the short term loan will be forgiven.

**Games update**

The Mentor game has 41 pairs scheduled.

It was pointed out that there are open slots on the Adobe calendar for additional games.

The need for Directors was discussed. As mentioned above we are adding 2 games, 299ers.

**Website-** Barry Abrahams continues to handle.

**A Board Secretary is needed.**

**Jim Click Raffle** - We have 105 tickets to sell though there are more tickets available if we wish to try and sell more. We will look into promoting the raffle in October and November, the event is in December.

Ram Sundaresan moved to adjourn, Julie O'Neill seconded and the motion passed.

Pauline Pettinato  
Temporary Secretary

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