

**Adobe Bridge Center  
Regular Board Meeting Minutes  
December 15, 2020**

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 PM via Zoom. Barry Abrahams presiding.

**Attending** - Board Members: Barry Abrahams, Pam Krisak, Joan Merrill, Betsy O'Dell, Pauline Pettinato, Claudette Perier, Sundaresan Ram, Jeanne Sholl, and Eric Swanson. Members Absent: Marjorie Jones

Claudette Perier moved to approve the November 8, 2020 Minutes and Annual Meeting minutes from November 12, 2020 as emailed to the board. The motion was Adopted.

**Election Results:** Pam Krisak and Joan Merrill reported a unanimous approval of the slate consisting of Barry Abrahams, Marjorie Jones, Betsy O'Dell and Sundaresan Ram. Ballots were emailed to 230 members, 99 were returned.

**Officer Election for 2021**

President – Barry Abrahams  
VP – Joan Merrill  
Treasurer – Sundaresan Ram  
Secretary – Pam Krisak

Eric Swanson moved to accept the slate. The motion was seconded and carried.

**Committee Assignments-**

Conduct and Ethics – Joan Merrill  
Library – Marjorie Jones  
Website – Claudette Perier and Barry Abrahams Web master  
Hospitality – Betsy O'Dell volunteered to work on hospitality when the club reopens.

**Manager's Report:** Eric Swanson – BBO/ACBL blocked Adobe members have been added to the members list. Ram reported 3 outstanding guests who should be members. Guests will continue to be reviewed. Eric and Ram will continue the interface with ACBL to make sure our members are not being treated as guests.

**Financial Report November 2020 –Sundaresan Ram**

- Summary Results – Alliance is going well for financials and the agreement for revenue sharing with Duncan Alliance is acceptable.
- Jim Click Raffle Results - \$6,000.00
- PPP Loan Forgiveness Status – No update. Still in review for at least January.

**BBO Issues/Experience** – Ram reported the Monday and Tuesday morning offerings for 499er players have less participation than Wednesday, Thursday or Friday morning offerings.

**NLM Matters** – Jeanne Sholl

- Mentor Game - 42 Tables and even more interest by mentees for the upcoming December game. Weekly mentor game – Ram will discuss with Sean about scheduling on Tuesday AM starting in January.

- Social Bridge Support and ACBLEF Grant - Judy Kidder is a new player who has suggested Adobe support Social Bridge programs. Discussion ensued. **After discussion of the proposal's focus, the Board recommended a broad focus on the recruitment and support of both social players and players new to bridge.** A committee will be formed consisting of Judy Kidder, Jeanne Sholl, Barbara Rosenthal and Eric Swanson. The ACBL Educational Fund provides grants for clubs educate efforts to bring more players into competitive games. A Grant proposal can be submitted in January. Jeanne will follow-up.

## **Committee Reports**

Conduct and Ethics – Joan Merrill: No issues to report.

Education –Sundaresan Ram: Doug Couchman is teaching more advanced topics on Tuesday morning and continues to increase participation. Barbara Rosenthal continues classes on Mondays but will be out for the last two Mondays in December. Ram will teach on those Mondays instead.

## **Facility Status - Barry**

Barry suggested it was time to have a cleaning crew to refresh the facilities after 10 months of closure. Ram asked for an estimate.

High water usage in main building continues but cause is unknown. Irrigation issues are still under investigation. Barry continues the hunt.

Electric Bill is still high. Eric suggested TEP may be able to perform an audit of our electric usage.

## **New Business**

Reopening – Barry suggested it may be time for reopening planning could start. General consensus by the board is to continue to monitor the results of the vaccine rollout in Arizona.

Laraine Brokaw was thanked for her “Adobe Family Bio” project. The club has received very positive feedback. Laraine is asking any board members who have not participated to send her their bios.

Julia Cassetta and Laraine Brokaw are willing to coordinate a fundraiser for Adobe in 2021.

Eric Swanson moved to adjourn at 4:45 pm. The motion was seconded and carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela Krisak  
Adobe Board Secretary