

Asheville Bridge Room Board Meeting
March 10, 2022
Zoom conference call

Members present: Rob Rich, Elaine Colokathis, Paul Westervelt, Max Shaw, Doug Hibshman, Ed Euler, Sylvia Cassel

Members Absent: Nick Frost

President Rob Rich called the meeting to order at 9:30.

Secretary's Report – Elaine Colokathis made a motion to accept the minutes of the February 10, 2022 meeting, and Ed Euler seconded it. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report - Elaine circulated the financial reports to the Board members before the meeting. For the month of February, the net income was \$234.18. Since she has difficulty receiving the on-line play financial information on a timely basis, she will include that information in the following month's report.

Elaine is looking into improving the interest on the Club's CDs and will report on this at the next meeting. The Board must approve any change.

Membership Committee Report - Doug reported that three new players are looking for partners to help them get started with Club bridge. Max, Paul, Elaine, Ed and Sylvia volunteered to play perhaps monthly with them to get them started, probably in the Friday game.

It was suggested that we ask those of our members with more master points to volunteer to play with beginners. This will bring more people into the Club and will give new players the benefit of some guidance and playing experience.

Doug will continue to look into making a partnership desk viable. In the past, directors were helpful in finding partners. It was suggested that we try this approach again.

New Business

The Annual Meeting will be held in April, again on Zoom. Rob will draft an agenda and circulate it to the Board before it is sent to the membership. A key component will be the approval of the slate of officers. Rob will prepare a brief summary of the year's activities; Doug will report on membership and offer some table statistics for the last year and Elaine will provide the financial reports.

Mask Requirement – it was agreed that we will maintain the mask mandate through April when the Club re-opens and review it on a month-by-month basis.

Club re-opening – Starting April 1, Nick Frost will be the Director-Manager and will direct the Monday and Wednesday games. Lisa Bryant will direct the Friday game which will be a 0-1000 points game.

Closure of face-to-face play based on Covid -19 cases reported. It was decided that we will announce that there has been a reported case, and with the affected person's agreement, we will include that person's name. This will provide more information so that other players can determine whether they wish to play in the upcoming face-to-face game(s). At this point, the Club will not close based on a reported case.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 The date of the next Zoom Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, April 14th at 9:30.

Respectfully submitted,
Sylvia Cassel