Asheville Bridge Room Board Meeting May 8, 2025

Zoom meeting at 6:00 PM

Members present: Lisa Bryant, Sarah Manow, Myra Schoen, Karen Campbell, Nick Frost, Elaine Colokathis, Virginia Pett, Sylvia Cassel

Absent: Michele Heller, Polly Ross, Melissa Himelein

President Lisa Bryant called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and briefly introduced the new members of the Board to be voted on at the Annual Meeting.

<u>Secretary's Report</u> – Karen Campbell made a motion to accept the Minutes of the April 10, 2025 meeting and Elaine Colokathis seconded it. The Minutes were approved.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> – Sarah Manow had sent the monthly financial figures to the Board members prior to the meeting. She noted a slight loss this month, but indicated that the CD earns interest which compensates for the loss at the moment.

Membership Report – no report

<u>Publicity</u> –Myra Schoen will continue to publicize the Club's special games but needs at least 3 weeks advance notice to provide the information to the media.

<u>Special Games</u> – The Club will attempt to hold Mentor/Mentee games and Swiss Team games every month. All game dates are posted on the Calendar on the website.

Teams for the Swiss team games should register on the website.

Sunday games will be scheduled once a month. The date of the annual Longest Day game will be Sunday, June 22.

Royal STac games will be held the first week of June, specifically June 4th and 6th.

<u>Education</u> – Lisa reported that the supervised play sessions are well attended. The charge will remain at \$2 for the present, although a rate increase has been suggested for the future since this is such a valuable offering by the Club.

Lisa also mentioned the possibility of lessons through Zoom.

Annual Dues Collection – Club membership dues cover the period May through April. Dues collecting can start immediately on the day of games, with the person at the desk keeping a list of the names of the paying members. The dues will remain at \$10.00. Payment by check will facilitate record keeping.

Membership badges – New members can receive a name badge for free. Replacement badges will be \$8. When membership dues are paid, a list must be kept for those wanting badges and the amount to be paid. Myra Schoen will coordinate this effort.

Annual Meeting –The Annual Meeting will be at 11:00, May 30, 2025 prior to the Friday open and limited game. Pizza will be ordered.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15. The date of the next Zoom Board Meeting will be Thursday, June 12, at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Sylvia Cassel