

FTLBC Board of Governors' Meeting Minutes
Meeting Date – September 12, 2022

4:04 p.m. – Meeting called to order by President David Doretsky

Board members present: President David Doretsky, V.P. Bella Ionis-Sorren, John Albright, Mark Yaeger, Secretary Daniel Tordella and Treasurer Deborah Branch.

Club manager Emilio Lopez was present. Four FTLBC members at large were also present for some or all of the meeting.

1. Minutes: Minutes of 8/8/22 FTLBC Board meeting ratified.
2. Treasurer's report: Treasurer Deborah Branch reported (numbers are approximate:
 - a. July net operating loss – \$5,200.
 - b. YTD net operating gain - \$5,900.
 - c. Checking account balance - \$7,000.
 - d. Schwab account balance - \$51,000.
3. Manager's report: Club manager Emilio Lopez reported:
 - a. 362 tables played in August 2022 – 200 face-to-face games and 162 BBO games.
The number are from ACBL summaries that do not include “STAC” games, which in August were about 60
 - b. Board approved \$800 expenditure for new playing cards and boards.
 - c. Board approved \$125 for ad in the Mirror. Actual cost is \$250. Manager to modify ad to conform with ACBL requirements to obtain 50% reimbursement from ACBL.

- d. Discussion regarding continuation of BBO morning games. Consensus was to discuss with Quick Tricks and Pompano Bridge clubs with whom FTLBC shares BBO revenue whether continuation of BBO morning games is warranted.
 - e. 2023 membership drive is ready for 10/1/22 kick-off. Membership chair Mark Yeager will meet with President Doretsky, Treasurer Branch and Club Manager Lopez before kick-off regarding 2023 membership drive.
4. President's report: President David Doretsky reported:
- a. 27 vs. 24 boards – Discussion regarding Vice President Ionis-Sorren's suggestion that the Board re-visit the previously decided decision to reduce the daily open games from 27 to 24 boards. No motion made. Consensus was that the Club Directors should limit the daily open games to 24 boards.
 - b. Board approved Club Member Rosemary Boden's request to bring her bridge book library to club for sale with proceeds to the club.
 - c. Board approved a "5 free play" card to Club member Nancy Paris as a small token of the Club's appreciation of her donation of money (for food purchase) and time (to prepare) for the holiday game(s).
 - d. Additional "chip" game: The Board approved an additional day for Rosemary Boden's highly successful Friday chip game. The Board leaned toward Tuesday(s) and away from Monday(s) to avoid cannibalization of the Monday 0-750 game.
 - e. Bridge in a Day: Board member Mark Yeager reported that he completed training by Patty Tucker for "Bridge-in-a-day" lessons and that he will continue

- to investigate and coordinate with Robin Kupperman the possibility of a Club sponsored Bridge in a day lesson at FTLBC.
- f. Parking lot flooding: President Doretsky will continue to pressure the City of Ft. Lauderdale to take appropriate measures to alleviate the flooding problem.
5. Grievance and Ethics: G&E chair Tordella reported the Club member Marino must appear for a hearing before the G&E Committee as a condition for his participation in future Club activities.

5:34 p.m. – Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by – Daniel F. Tordella – FTLBC Secretary