

FTLBC Board of Governors' Meeting Minutes
Meeting Date – August 8, 2022

4:17 p.m. – Meeting called to order by President Doretsky

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

Club manager Emilio Lopez was present. Two FTLBC members at large (Barbara Tate and Allen Bozek) also attended the meeting.

1. July Minutes: Minutes of 7/11/22 FTLBC Board meeting ratified.
2. Treasurer's report: Treasurer Deborah Branch reported:
 - a. July net operating loss – \$4,000.
 - b. YTD net operating gain - \$13,800.
 - c. Checking account balance - \$9,454.
 - d. Schwab account balance - \$51,434.
 - e. The club accepted a \$1,000 donation from a donor who wants to remain anonymous.
3. Manager's report: Club manager Emilio Lopez reported:
 - a. 411 tables played in July 2022. 266 face-to-face; 145 BBO.
 - b. 323 paid members YTD 2022; October 2023 membership drive looming.
 - c. New playing cars and boards are needed; \$700 - \$800 cost anticipated.
 - d. New vacuum purchased - \$190.
4. President's report:
 - a. Fall Sectional 2022 – Board voted to increase table fees to \$15 per session, which is still less than what most other Florida sectionals charge.

- b. Honor Roll Board(s): One is for cash (\$1,000 or more) and one is for *in-kind* donations. Members/honorees to be consulted before their names are placed on the board(s).
5. Special Events: V.P. Bella Ionis-Sorren reported:
 - a. 8 (points not pieces) is enough pizza / game scheduled for Thursday evening, August 11th.
 - b. Anniversary / recognition (of long-time club members, etc.) game/celebration scheduled for Thursday evening, September 1st.
6. Education:
 - a. Chair Robin Kupperman reported that beginner lessons, advanced beginner lessons, supervised games, chip games and mentor games (on line and face-to-face) continue.
 - b. Board member Mark Yeager reported that he is scheduled to take a “Learn bridge in a day” course in the near future and will be looking to schedule a class at FTLBC when he is certified instructor. Goal will be to “feed” students to Robin Kupperman and Rosemary Boden.
7. Grievance and Ethics: One new complaint on un-wanted inappropriate comments being investigated.
8. Miscellaneous: Mark Yeager will reach out to the main office of the American Bridge Association, Inc. in Atlanta regarding possible affiliation with FTLBC in South Florida.

5:57 p.m. – Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:

Daniel F. Tordella – FTLBC Secretary