

FORT LAUDERDALE BRIDGE CLUB  
Minutes of the Board of Governors Meeting  
January 15, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President Allen Bozek at 4:20pm. In attendance were: David Doretsky, Ken Wagner, Mary-Alice Fombrun, David Kupperman, Harvey Simon, Keith Gellman and Trudy Bell. Judy Halloran was absent.

The minutes of the meeting of the former Board on December 9, 2017 submitted by the President for Barbara Tate, Acting Secretary, were approved.

The minutes of the transitional meeting of the Board on January 2, 2018 submitted by Keith Gellman, Acting Secretary, were approved.

Treasurer's Report

David Doretsky reported that there are revisions to be made to the December financials and same will be provided at the next Board meeting. The 2018 Budget will also be provided at that time.

President's Report

- 1) Motion to accept the Tally Sheet for the 2018 election was seconded and passed.
- 2) Motion to appoint Rosemary Boden as chairman of the Teaching Committee was seconded and passed.
- 3) There are three resumes submitted for the position of Club Manager. Copies of the resumes were provided to the board members to review prior to interviews to be scheduled shortly. Lengthy discussion including members at large as to timeliness and extending the search, duties of manager, etc. Board members are requested to review and advise the President of their opinions and availability for interviews to be scheduled.
- 4) Board members were provided with copies of the contract for Bridge Instructors. This contract needs to be signed by all teachers using our club facilities. Discussion regarding same and that all teacher should be required to sign contracts. President requested board members to review and email their opinions regarding same.
- 5) Food service. President has requested a committee to evaluate the total food service costs in addition to the \$25.00 paid to the food service providers. The committee will include Chairman, Judy Halloran and David Kupperman. Steve Andrews and Liz Kros, bookkeeper, to provide data for the survey. Lengthy discussion including members at large and opinions regarding prices, whether to include lunch as part of playing fees, simplifying menu choices, eliminating snacks, etc.
- 6) Merle Lundy presented a check for \$1359.00 to cover the cost of the new water cooler. Additional funds will be forthcoming from the January Bridge Cruise when the accounting is completed.
- 7) A cruise in 2019 and 2020 is being planned and to be presented at the next Board Meeting.

### Manager's Report

Report is attached to these Minutes. The table count is down 14% and this is one of the reasons that the club manager has recognized that he can no longer put forth the time and effort to keep the club at its highest level. He would like to be Assistant Manager if such a position were available.

### Committee Reports

The President noted that it is difficult to recruit volunteers for the many committees that are needed to provide the services that we want our club to enjoy. "Ask not what your bridge club can do for you – ask what you can do for your bridge club."

Auditing/Finance – discussion as to whether this committee is necessary and that an annual audit is not required. The Auditing/Finance Committee to be removed as an agenda item.

Ethics and Grievance – Yvonne Morten submitted a written report that all grievance and ethics complaints have been resolved (submitted to the Board but not presented).

Charity – Mary Short reported that she will be working hard to promote the club as "a club with a heart".

Decorating/Entertainment – Carolee Petrey may be willing to chair this committee again.

Events – Bella Ionis-Sorenson agreed to chair this committee. Dale Jacobson reported on the December 21, 2016 Shortest Day event to raise funds for Alzheimer. \$8,070.00 was raised. It was decided that the Alzheimer events are a function of the Events Committee not the Charity Committee. Motion to approve a purchase of Alzheimer T-Shirts (see attached photo) on behalf of the Longest Day function; seconded and approved.

Food Service – Judy Halloran (no report)

House – Allen Bozek reported that there have been issues with the coffee pot, air conditioning thermostat, and vending machine. Discussion with Club Manager and issues addressed. All agreed that Jesse will be the point man for resolving the various issues with the soda dispenser.

Insurance – Keith Gellman reported that he is in the process of obtaining quotes for the various insurance policies.

Membership – Robin Kupperman was appointed Chairperson.

Purchasing – the Club Manager will provide a list of Suppliers.

Sunshine – Merle Lundy will donate cards. There is no chairperson.

Teaching – Rosemary Boden was appointed Chairperson. (Report Attached)

8) Unfinished Business

Motion to report for the record that the 2017 contract for Steve Andrews that was signed by the President but not approved by the Board of Governors. Motion was seconded and approved.

Bookkeeper, Liz Kros, reports that the free plays are now being used as required within a week of receiving, and that there were approximately 15 per week.

Sectional to be held April 13-15, 2018. Motion to approve Barbara Tate as Tournament Chairperson, seconded and approved.

Keith Gellman reminded us of the upcoming Reach for the Gold event February 3 and February 5-9, 2018.

- 9) New Business – we need to review the Club By-Laws. Motion to Appoint By-Laws Committee – Chairman, David Kupperman; Members – Allan Bozek, Paul Jacobson, seconded and approved.

Zero Tolerance – discussion that it is not being enforced and some players are behaving badly, while others complain, but not to the Directors. Club manager to provide Complaint forms on the wall with the score sheet forms.

Meeting adjourned at 6:25pm

Respectfully submitted,

  
*Trudy Bell, Secretary*